



Reigning Miss World Krystyna Pyszková at a press meet in Hyderabad on Thursday

TELANGANA TO HOST 72ND MISS  
WORLD EVENT FROM MAY 10-31

Hyderabad: Telangana Tourism Minister Jupally Krishna Rao said on Thursday that the 72nd edition of the Miss World contest will be held across various culturally significant venues in Telangana—including Hyderabad—from May 10 to May 31. At a press conference organised to announce the pageant, the minister expressed confidence that the festival would boost Telangana's global appeal.

PIC: SRI LOGANATHAN VELMURUGAN



**Sri Siddaramaiah**  
Hon'ble Chief Minister  
Government of Karnataka



**Bengaluru Water Supply and Sewerage Board**  
Department of Water Resource,  
Minor Irrigation and  
Underground Water Development



**Sri D K Shivakumar**  
Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister  
Government of Karnataka

**On the Eve of World Water Day  
Let us come together for**

# Cauvery Aarati

**Be a part of Largest Water Conservation Pledge**

**Date: 21<sup>st</sup> March 2025, Friday at 6.00 pm**

**Sankey Tank, Sadashivanagar, Bengaluru.**



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ATTEMPT**

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**Most Pledges Received For a**  
**Water Conservation Campaign (1 Week)**

**Date: 21<sup>st</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> March 2025**

**Location: Bengaluru, Karnataka.**



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Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board  
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Website: [www.bwssb.karnataka.gov.in](http://www.bwssb.karnataka.gov.in)



GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, DEPARTMENT OF SPACE, U.R. RAO SATELLITE CENTRE  
CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE GROUP, HAL Airport Road, Bengaluru - 560 017  
(Phone: 080 25084184, 4156)  
BRIEF E-TENDER NOTICE

| Sl.No | Description                                                | Details                                                                                                                           |
|-------|------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1     | Name of work                                               | Revamping of Civil Infrastructure at DOS/ISRO Housing Colony at Domlur, Indira Nagar New Land and Old Land, Bengaluru (Phase-II). |
| 2     | E-Tender Notice No.                                        | URSC/C&MG/14C/2024-25, dated: 19.03.2025.                                                                                         |
| 3     | Estimated cost put to tender                               | ₹ 129.75 Lakhs                                                                                                                    |
| 4     | Tender Document details                                    | URSC/C&MG/CTN/44/2024-25, dated: 19.03.2025.                                                                                      |
| 5     | Period of completion                                       | TWELVE MONTHS                                                                                                                     |
| 6     | Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)                                | Rs. 2,59,500/- valid for 180 days                                                                                                 |
| 7     | Period during which the tender document can be downloaded. | From 09.30 hrs on 21.03.2025 to 16.30 hrs on 03.04.2025                                                                           |
| 8     | Bid clarification                                          | From 10.30 hrs on 24.03.2025 to 17.00 hrs on 04.04.2025                                                                           |
| 9     | Last date of reply to Bid Clarification                    | Up to 17.00 hrs on 07.04.2025                                                                                                     |
| 10    | Last date and time for receipt of tenders                  | Up to 14.30 hrs on 08.04.2025                                                                                                     |
| 11    | Due date and time of opening of tenders                    | 14.30 hrs Onwards on 08.04.2025                                                                                                   |

Interested tenderers may please refer Detailed Notice Inviting E-Tender (NIET) for eligibility criteria and other details along with Hindi version in website: [www.isro.gov.in](http://www.isro.gov.in) and download the tender documents from [www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO](http://www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO).  
Sd/-, Group Director (C&MG)

**BAMUL** BENGALURU CO-OP. MILK UNION LTD., [BENGALURU DAIRY]  
Dr. M.H. Marigowda Road, Bengaluru-560029  
E-mail Address [bamultrust@gmail.com](mailto:bamultrust@gmail.com)  
Website : [www.bamulnandini.coop](http://www.bamulnandini.coop), Phone : 080-26096295

TENDER No:KMF/2024-25/SE3200/CALL-2 Date : 20.03.2025

**SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION**

The Bangalore Co-operative Milk Union Ltd. Bangalore-29 (BAMUL) invites Technical & Commercial Short Term e-Tender through e-procurement portal (<https://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in>) for Insuring Cross-Breed Heifers/ Cows/ Local Cows/ Buffaloes (without permanent total disability coverage) owned by Members of Milk Producers Co-Operative Societies affiliated to Bangalore Milk Union limited for a period of One year. e-Procurement Tender's are invited from "Eligible IRDAI Registered General Insurance Companies" who deal with the Cattle Insurance coverage for a period of One year.

The details are mentioned here under :

| A | Access to e-tender portal.                            | From 20.03.2025 up to 27.03.2025 up to 05.00 PM.            |
|---|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| B | Last Date & Time for Tender Queries/Clarifications.   | 25.03.2025 up to 5.00 PM.                                   |
| C | Last Date & Time for Submission of tenders.           | 27.03.2025 up to 05.00 PM.                                  |
| D | Date & Time for Opening of Technical Tender.          | 28.03.2025 05.05 P.M.                                       |
| E | Date & Time for Opening of Commercial Tender.         | 29.03.2025 05.10 P.M.                                       |
| F | Place of Opening of Technical and Commercial Tenders. | Board Room Bangalore Co-operative Milk Union, Bengaluru-29. |

The details of the Tender Fees, EMD, Tender Terms & Conditions are available in e-procurement portal (<https://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in>) for Verification.

Sd/- MANAGING DIRECTOR  
(Tender Inviting Authority), BAMUL

**The Brihanmumbai Electric Supply & Transport Undertaking**  
(OF THE BRIHANMUMBAI MAHANAGARPALIKA)

**TENDER NOTICE**

E-tender is Re- invited for the supply of following items.

(1) 80037 - 11KV, 3C X 240 SQ.MM Alu. Conductor XLPE Cable,

**Re – invited e-tenders**

(2) 79643.

Note: For more details, log on to website <https://mahatenders.gov.in>

PRO/AAM(M)/128/2025 GENERAL MANAGER

**MYSORE PAINTS & VARNISH LTD.,**  
(A Govt., of Karnataka Undertaking)  
New Bannimantap Extension, MYSURU-570 015, Karnataka.

Phone: 0821-2493831/ 2497469/ 2499340,  
website: [www.mysorepaints.karnataka.gov.in](http://www.mysorepaints.karnataka.gov.in)  
email: [materials-mpvl@karnataka.gov.in](mailto:materials-mpvl@karnataka.gov.in)  
Date: 20.03.2025

**SHORT TERM RE TENDER NOTIFICATION**

Tender are invited from reputed manufacturers / authorized dealers for supply of the following materials (Conversion charges) through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal (KPPP) (<https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in>). The details are as mentioned below:

Sl.No.01. Tender notification Number: MPVL/2024-25/IND0014/Call-2 Tender Description: Procurement of Silver Nitrate (e-Tender notification for supply of Silver Nitrate. 1 Item. Estimated value Rs.27.45 Crore).

Tender Category: Supply of Goods. Last Date & Time for submission of Tender / Bids: 05.04.2025 Date & Time of Technical Bid Opening: 08.04.2025

Interested parties may visit [www.mysorepaints.karnataka.gov.in](http://www.mysorepaints.karnataka.gov.in) for details and can contact the undersigned for any further clarifications/ information and request to participate in the tender.

For Mysore Paints and Varnish Ltd.,  
Sd/-  
Materials Manager/(TIA)

Government of Karnataka.  
**(PANCHAYAT RAJ ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT)**  
Office of the Executive Engineer P.R.E. Division Bidar.

No: EE/PRED/BDR/TS-3/2024-25/2286 Date: 17.03.2025

**INVITATION FOR SHORT TERM TENDERS**

On behalf of Governor of Karnataka, The Executive Engineer, P.R.E. Division Bidar invites Tenders from eligible Tenderers, for 04 works approved under KKRDB for 2024-25 schemes as per KW-02 & 03 in One Cover & Two Cover System. Amount put to tender for the works are Minimum **Rs. 20,85,684.04** (Rupees Twenty Lakhs Eighty Five Thousand Six Hundred Eighty Four and paise four only) & Maximum **Rs. 59,37,719.07** (Rupees Fifty Nine Lakhs Thirty Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Nineteen and paise seven only) Tender documents may be downloaded from the KPPP portal of the Govt. of Karnataka Viz. <http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in>. Tenders must be submitted through KPPP portal on **18.03.2025 to or before 16.00 hours up to 04.04.2025** Technical Bid will be opened on **05.04.2025 & Financial Bid will be opened on 09.04.2025** respectively. Further any other information can be seen from the KPPP portal or can be had from the undersigned

Sd/- Executive Engineer  
P.R.E.Division Bidar

DIPR/Bidar/447/KSCM&A/2024-25

**ಕಾರ್ಯನಿವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರವರ ಕಛೇರಿ,**  
(ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ)  
ಧಾರವಾಡ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಧಾರವಾಡ

ಕ್ರಮ: ಕಾನಿಇಂಪಾ/ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆ/ಸಿ.ಬಿ.1,2,3,4,5/2024-25/7133 ದಿನಾಂಕ: -19/03/2025

**I.F.T – KW –1, 2, 3 & 4**  
ಇ-ಶ್ರೋತೃತ್ವದ ಮೂಲಕ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ (ಸ್ಟ್ಯಾಂಡರ್ಡ್ ಡಾಕ್ಯುಮೆಂಟ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ)

ಕಾರ್ಯನಿವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರವರು, ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ, ಧಾರವಾಡದ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯಪಾಲರ ಪರವಾಗಿ ಕೆ.ಟಿ.ಸಿ.ಸಿ. 2000 ರನ್ವಯ ಮತ್ತು ಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಡಾಕ್ಯುಮೆಂಟ್ ಕೆ ಡಬ್ಲ್ಯೂ.1,2, 3 & 4 ರ ನಿಯಮವಂತೆ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಕೆ.ಟಿ.ಸಿ.ಸಿ. [kppp.karnataka.gov.in](http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in) ಮೂಲಕ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ, ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನೋಂದಣಿ ಮಾಡಿದ ಆಹಾರ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಾದ ಎಕೆ-ಲೋಕೇಶ್/ದ್ವಿ-ಲೋಕೇಶ್ ಪತ್ನಿಯವರ ಲೆಕ್ಕಪರಿಶೋಧಕರಾದ: 3054-03-337-0-05-200 ರಾಜ್ಯ ಪದ್ಧತಿ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ, 3054-04-337-1-10-200 ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಮತ್ತು ಇತರೆ ರಸ್ತೆಗಳ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ, 2059-80-053-4-00-200 ವಿವಿಧ ಇಲಾಖಾ ಕಟ್ಟಡಗಳ ದುರಸ್ತಿ/ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ, 2216-01-700-03-01-200, 5054- ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಮತ್ತು ಇತರೆ ರಸ್ತೆ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ & 5054- ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಮತ್ತು ಇತರೆ ರಸ್ತೆ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಕನಿಷ್ಠ ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ. 1.00 ಲಕ್ಷದಿಂದ ಗರಿಷ್ಠ ರೂ. 120.00 ಲಕ್ಷಗಳ ವರೆಗೆ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಮತ್ತು ಆಹಾರಗಳನ್ನು ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳ ವಿವರ ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನಂತಿದೆ.

ಸಾಮಾನ್ಯ:  
PWD/2024-25/BD/WORK\_INDENT20629  
Calendar of Events:  
1 ಆಕ್ರೇಷಿಯನ್ನು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 27.03.2025 ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 12:30 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ  
2 ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆ ಪತ್ರಗಳನ್ನು ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸುವ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 28.03.2025 ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 04:00 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ  
3 ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ & ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 29.03.2025 ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 04:30 ಗಂಟೆಯ ನಂತರ  
PWD/2024-25/BD/WORK\_INDENT20074/Call-2  
Calendar of Events:  
1 ಆಕ್ರೇಷಿಯನ್ನು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 27.03.2025 ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 12:30 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ  
2 ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆ ಪತ್ರಗಳನ್ನು ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸುವ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 28.03.2025 ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 04:00 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ  
3 ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 29.03.2025 ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 04:30 ಗಂಟೆಯ ನಂತರ  
4 ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 01.04.2025 ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 04:30 ಗಂಟೆಯ ನಂತರ  
ಪರಿಶೀಲನೆ ತಾಪಿ  
PWD/2024-25/BD/WORK\_INDENT20626  
PWD/2024-25/BD/WORK\_INDENT20631  
PWD/2024-25/BD/WORK\_INDENT20634  
PWD/2024-25/BD/WORK\_INDENT19927/Call-2  
ಪ್ರವರ್ಗ - 1  
PWD/2024-25/BD/WORK\_INDENT20628  
ಸಾಮಾನ್ಯ:  
PWD/2024-25/BD/WORK\_INDENT20617  
PWD/2024-25/BD/WORK\_INDENT20620  
PWD/2024-25/BD/WORK\_INDENT20622  
PWD/2024-25/BD/WORK\_INDENT20637  
PWD/2024-25/BD/WORK\_INDENT20069  
PWD/2024-25/BD/WORK\_INDENT20342  
PWD/2024-25/BD/WORK\_INDENT15652/Call-2  
Calendar of Events:  
1 ಆಕ್ರೇಷಿಯನ್ನು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 08.04.2025 ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 12:30 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ  
2 ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆ ಪತ್ರಗಳನ್ನು ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸುವ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 09.04.2025 ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 04:00 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ  
3 ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ & ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 11.04.2025 ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 04:30 ಗಂಟೆಯ ನಂತರ  
PWD/2024-25/BD/WORK\_INDENT20648  
PWD/2024-25/BD/WORK\_INDENT17736/Call-3  
PWD/2024-25/BD/WORK\_INDENT17353/Call-3  
PWD/2024-25/BD/WORK\_INDENT19873  
1 ಆಕ್ರೇಷಿಯನ್ನು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 08.04.2025 ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 12:30 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ  
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4 ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 15.04.2025 ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 04:30 ಗಂಟೆಯ ನಂತರ  
ಈ ಮೇಲ್ಕಂಡ ವಿವರ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ಅಂತರಜಾಲ ವಿಳಾಸ [kppp.karnataka.gov.in](http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in) ದಲ್ಲಿ ಹಾಗೂ ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ ಧಾರವಾಡ ವಿಭಾಗ ಕಛೇರಿಯಿಂದ ಕಛೇರಿಯ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ.  
ಸಹ/- ಕಾರ್ಯನಿವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರವರು,  
ವಾ.ಸಾ.ಇ/ಧಾರವಾಡ/1111/ದೇಶಪಾಂಡೆಪಟ್ಟಣ/2024-25 ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ,ಧಾರವಾಡ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಧಾರವಾಡ.

**ATTENTION TAXPAYERS !**

**e-Verification Scheme, 2021**

**Any objection to the displayed financial transaction in AIS?**

**We will verify from the source**

**DISAGREE**

**AGREE**

CBC 1540/13/0022/2425

- Check financial transactions available in AIS tab of your income tax account at [www.incometax.gov.in](http://www.incometax.gov.in)
- If you agree with information, return of income can be updated u/s 139(8A) of the IT Act, 1961, subject to eligibility
- If you disagree, raise an objection. We will check with the source
- If the mismatch continues, notice under the e-Verification Scheme may be issued
- Your response to the notice may help in closure of the matter
- All proceedings are conducted electronically under e-Verification Scheme

**FAQs on e-Verification Scheme, 2021**  
{Available on QR code and <https://incometaxindia.gov.in/news/faqs-everification-scheme2021.pdf>}

**Income Tax Department**  
**Central Board of Direct Taxes**

**Helpline 18001034215**

**@incometaxindiaofficial**

**ಕೆನರಾ ಬ್ಯಾಂಕ್ Canara Bank**  
REGIONAL OFFICE-HAVERI  
Sri Daneshwari Motors Compound, #153/A, Near Fire Brigade, Haveri-Hangal Road, HAVERI-581110

**REDEMPTION NOTICE**  
Ref:ROHVR/REC/RED/NTC TRADERS Dated: 27.02.2025  
To the Borrower/Guarantors/Mortgagor:1.M/S. N T CHALIGERI TRADER (BORROWER).  
PROP. SHIVAPRAKASH B KANCHIKERE, AT POST RANEBENNUR,HAVERI-581115  
2.MUTTURAJ N CHALAGERI (GUARANTOR/MORTGAGOR) S/O NAGARAJAPPA, TIPPAIKOPPA, MASUR HIREKERUR -581210  
3.NAGARAJ T CHALAGERI (GUARANTOR/MORTGAGOR), TIPPAIKOPPA, TQ HIREKERUR 581210  
4.BHAGYAMMA NAGARAJ CHALAGERI (GUARANTOR/MORTGAGOR), KODAMAGGI, MASUR 581210  
5.CHAITRA NAGARAJ CHALAGERI (GUARANTOR/MORTGAGOR) KODAMAGGI, MASUR 581210  
6.SHILPA SHIVAPRAKASH KANCHIKER (GUARANTOR/MORTGAGOR) AT, HNO 64 TIPPAIKOPPA, TQ. HIREKERUR-581210  
7.B M SOMASHEKHAR PATEL (GUARANTOR/MORTGAGOR) B M MURTHUNJAYYA PATEL, RESIDING AT NO. 1462, 8<sup>th</sup> MAIN, 1<sup>st</sup> CROSS, JUDICIAL LAYOUT, YELAHANKA, BANGALORE 560065

Subject: Notice for exercising the right of redemption under Section 13 (8) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act")

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Canara Bank, Masur Branch, Haveri Regional office(hereinafter referred to as "the secured creditor"), appointed under the Act do hereby issue this notice, under Section 13(8) of the Act read with Rule 8(6) of the SARFAESI Rules, to you all as under:

As you all are aware that the secured creditor had issued the Demand Notices, under Section 13(2) of the Act, on 03/12/2024 (date of Demand Notice), to the borrower M/S. N T CHALIGERI TRADER (name of Borrower/ Mortgagor/Guarantor), the mortgagor and the guarantors (above mentioned names), demanding to pay an amount of **Rs. 18,12,00,259.89 (Rupees Eighteen Crores Twelve Lacs Two Hundred Fifty Nine and Paise Eighty Nine Only)**, and interest stated thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notices.

Since, the Borrowers / Firm, the mortgagors and the Guarantor (above mentioned names) having failed to repay the amount mentioned in the above said demand notices, the Authorized Officer under Section 13(4) of the Act had taken symbolic/Physical possession of the secured assets described in the Possession Notice as per **Schedule A**. Further, the said symbolic/ Physical possession notice was duly published in two News Papers as mentioned in **Schedule A**.

To comply with the provision of SARFAESI Act, 2002 read with Rule 8(6) of SARFAESI Rules, you all are hereby given a last and final opportunity to redeem and reclaim the secured assets, which are in possession of the secured creditor, within 30 days from the receipt of this notice, by discharging the liability of **Rs.18,13,01,176.89 (Rupees Eighteen Crores Thirteen Lacs One Thousand One Hundred Seventy Six and Paise Eighty Nine Only)** as on 20/02/2025, plus subsequent interest, costs and expenses in full, failing which the sale notice under the Act will be published in the newspaper specifying one of the following modes mentioned below, to sell the secured assets:

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Boundaries:East – House of M G Kotreshappa, West – House of M G Nagarajappa, North – Road, South – Road  
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## NEW IPL RULES

Ahead of the 2025 season, BCCI has made some major changes in the rules in the all-captains meet. A look...

### SALIVA BAN REVOKED

The usage of saliva on balls had been banned since Covid pandemic, but it has been lifted for the IPL from hereon. This came after appeals from several star bowlers including Mohammed Shami

### SLOW OVER-RATE BAN

The IPL will enforce demerit points for captains if they fail to adhere to optimal over-rate. Mandatory ball change after the 11th over in second innings for night games

## CWG 2030: INDIA SENDS EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

India formally submitted Expression of Interest to host the Centenary Commonwealth Games at Ahmedabad. The letter of interest was sent by P T Usha as the chief of Commonwealth Games Association of India on March 13 | P7



## IN THE DOCK

BEL engineer caught leaking info to Pak agents

BALA CHAUHAN @ Bengaluru

BHARAT Electronics Limited (BEL), Bengaluru, on Thursday reportedly placed under suspension Deeparaj Chandra, 36, an engineer with its Product Development and Innovation Centre (PDIC) for leaking critical defence-related information to some operatives in Pakistan.

His digital gadgets have been sent to the defence laboratory for in-depth analysis using Cloud Investigation and Response Automation, a technology that 'leverages advanced analytics, AI, and automation to enhance the detection, investigation, and response to security incidents within cloud environments, enabling organisations to proactively detect and respond to threats.'

He may be held based on the digital forensic report. Chandra has reportedly been in touch with some Pakistani Intelligence Operatives (PIO) for the last couple of years. Under the garb of a woman, they befriended him online and enticed him to share sensitive information on defence operating, communication systems, details on machinery, security apparatus production systems, office layouts, and on some senior officials with the PIOs. He was paid in Bitcoins worth around Rs 25,000, sources said. "Chandra and PIOs shared a common email account and password to escape detection. He would upload information in the draft folder, which was accessed by the enemies...." sources claimed. P7

## 30 more Naxals killed in C'garh

EJAZ KAISER @ Raipur

AT least 30 members of the banned CPI (Maoist) were killed in two separate encounters in Bastar division on Thursday, as security forces intensified operations against left-wing insurgency in south Chhattisgarh.

"A joint team of the District Reserve Guards (DRG) from Bijapur and Dantewada, Special Task Force, CRPF and elite Co-BRA force was out on search operations based on specific intelligence inputs. Around 7 am, an encounter broke out in the dense forest along the inter-district border area of Bijapur-Dantewada, where 26 Naxalites were neutralised. During the exchange of fire, DRG jawan Raju Oyami lost his life," said Jitendra Yadav, Bijapur district police chief.

In another gunfight at Kanker district in the north Bastar region, a combined team of the Border Security Force, Bastar Fighters and DRG gunned down four Maoists close to the Abujhmad jungle of Narayanpur. No security personnel sustained injuries in the Kanker encounter.

The recovered bodies of Maoists are yet to be identified and the casualty count of the red rebels may rise further, the officer said.

The forces also recovered 21 weapons, including an AK-47, two Self-Loading Rifles, one INSAS rifle, three BGL rocket launchers, and explosives among



Jawans returning from the encounter site in the forest area at Bijapur-Dantewada border, in Bijapur on Thursday | ANI

others from the encounter site.

Union Home Minister Amit Shah stated that the security forces had achieved another big success in the mission to eliminate Naxalism under the 'Naxal Mukta Bharat Abhiyan'. Chief Minister Vishnu Deo Sai praised the commitment of the security personnel. "We are achieving historic success in the fight against the Maoists," he said.

So far this year, 113 Maoists have been eliminated in various encounters in the state. Last year, Maoists lost 219 of their fighters in anti-insurgency operations.

The series of encounters during the last one year are part of the renewed strategy to eliminate Maoist influence in Chhattisgarh by March 2026.

Bijapur, Dantewada, Kanker and Narayanpur are among the seven Maoist-affected districts of Bastar division.

## US detains Indian student for alleged Hamas support

AGENCIES @ Washington, D.C.

US federal authorities have detained an Indian citizen who came to the country legally on a student visa and threatened to deport him claiming he posed risk to American foreign policy.

Badar Khan Suri, a postdoctoral fellow at Georgetown University, was detained by masked agents from outside his home on Monday, US media reports said. His visa was revoked due to his alleged ties with Hamas.

Suri was being targeted because of the Palestinian heritage

of his wife Mapheze Saleh, a US citizen, his lawyer said in a lawsuit seeking his immediate release. Some reports said Saleh's father served as a senior political adviser to the Hamas leadership.

Confirming Suri's detention, a Department of Homeland Security spokesperson claimed Suri was "actively spreading Hamas propaganda and promoting antisemitism on social media."

The incident comes days after another Indian student, Ranjani Srinivasan, 'self-deported' following cancellation of her visa over her alleged support for Hamas.

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## EXPRESS READ

### Dr G orders high-level probe into honeytrap bid

Bengaluru: Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara on Thursday told the Assembly that he will order a high-level probe into the alleged honey trap attempt on Cooperation Minister KN Rajanna | P6

### IISc develops needle-free checks for diabetics

Bengaluru: IISc scientists have developed a painless alternative, using light and sound instead of needles, to check blood glucose levels. It is based on a technique called photoacoustic sensing, wherein a laser is beamed on to biological tissues | P7



## Elon Musk's X sues Indian govt over content blocking, misuse of IT rules

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

ELON Musk-led-social media platform X (formerly Twitter) has filed a petition in the Karnataka High Court against the Centre, accusing it of illegally blocking content on the platform.

The petition, filed on Thursday, alleges the government is circumventing established legal safeguards and procedures in its bid to censor online content. According to X, the government is improperly using Section 79(3)(b) of the Information Technology Act to issue content blocking orders. It argued that this section is not intended for such purposes and that the government is deliberately bypassing

the more stringent requirements of Section 69A of the IT Act and the associated Blocking Rules.

Section 69A is the legally defined route by which the government can restrict access to online content that is deemed harmful to the nation's interests. However, this process is regulated by the 2009 IT (Procedure and Safeguards for Blocking for Access of Information by Public) Rules, which require a structured review process before blocking decisions are made.

Section 79(3)(b) says if a government agency flags illegal content, the platform must take it down within 36 hours or risk being liable for third-party content.

### Safe harbour

Non-compliance of a takedown order under Section 79(3)(b) may strip platforms of safe-harbour protection that shields them from being liable for content posted by third parties

### Sahyog portal

X also refused to join govt's Sahyog portal, set up to streamline takedown requests under Sec 79(3)(b), terming it a 'censorship tool' that pressures platforms to remove content without proper legal review

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# UNION CABINET NOD FOR STRR PROJECT SOON

HDK meets Gadkari; 135-km controlled access project to connect satellite towns

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

THE long-pending Satellite Town Ring Road (STRR) project is likely to get approval from the Union Cabinet soon. Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari has assured Union Minister for Heavy Industries and Steel HD Kumaraswamy that the project would soon receive cabinet approval and be sanctioned.

The former Karnataka chief minister met Gadkari at his Parliament office in New Delhi to discuss the project in detail. During the meet, Gadkari informed Kumaraswamy that the project has already been approved by the Public-Private Partnership Appraisal Committee (PPPAC).

During the meeting, Kumaraswamy also handed over a letter written by former Prime Minister HD Deve Gowda to Gadkari, emphasising the importance of the project aimed at easing Bengaluru's growing traffic congestion.

The STRR project aims to provide connectivity to eight key industrial towns surrounding Bengaluru. The 4 to 6-lane expressway will connect Dabapet, Doddaballapura, Devanahalli, Sulibele, Hoskote, Anekal, Kanakapura, Ramanagara, and Magadi, covering Bengaluru and its surrounding satellite towns. Additionally, it will integrate with the Bengaluru-Chennai Expressway, providing connectivity to Hosur in Tamil Nadu. Once the project is completed, it is expected to divert heavy commercial vehicles



Nitin Gadkari and HD Kumaraswamy at his Parliament office in New Delhi

## Other projects discussed

The duo also discussed the swift implementation of the Mandya Ring Road project and Kumaraswamy informed Gadkari that the Mandya Urban Development Authority had already prepared a DPR. Noting that the estimated budget was insufficient, he urged approval for a revised project cost of ₹900 crore, to which Gadkari responded positively. Meanwhile, the upgradation of the national highway passing through the Melukote Assembly Constituency, between Jevargi and Chamarajanagar, from a two-lane to a four-lane highway, construction of a truck way along the highway near Pandavapura Railway Station, and expedited implementation of various highway projects in Karnataka were also discussed.

away from Bengaluru's core, ensuring seamless freight movement for industries without adding to urban traffic congestion. The 135 km-long STRR, which will be developed at an estimated cost of Rs 4,750 crore, will feature controlled access, ensuring uninterrupted traffic flow, serving as a crucial industrial corridor for Karnataka.

# Chennai factory may supply Metro-like coaches for Suburban Rail

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

FOLLOWING Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw's directive to the Rail Infrastructure Development Company Karnataka (K-RIDE) during his visit to Bengaluru to procure coaches for the Bengaluru Suburban Rail Project (BSRP) from the Indian Railways to speed up its supply, the agency has now approached the Chennai-based Integral Coach Factory (ICF) to do so. This follows poor response for multiple tenders called for by K-RIDE, the nodal agency for implementing the Rs 15,767-crore BSRP.



ICF, a subsidiary of Indian Railways, is the largest manufacturer of rail coaches in the world. BSRP coaches would be air-conditioned ones and modelled on Bengaluru Metro coaches.

"We have already held talks with ICF officials on the supply of coaches. Since the State

## Vaishnaw says state responsible for land delays

Responding to Bengaluru South MP Tejasvi Surya's question in Lok Sabha on March 19 about the slow pace of the project, Vaishnaw said, "Indian Railways has allocated land to K-RIDE Limited for the BSRP but the transfer of land from the State Government is very slow." The Minister also said that having a part-time MD for the project was also delaying it. "There is a need for a full-time MD who is conversant with railway technology."

Government has earmarked Rs 2,135 crore for the procurement of coaches in its budget last year (its 50% share) we are looking at procuring 150 coaches out of our requirement of 306 coaches from ICF. They will be giving us their quote for the same within a month," K-RIDE

Managing Director, N Manjula, told The New Indian Express.

K-RIDE will then have to take the State Government's consent to approve it and also seek for an exemption from calling tenders as it would delay the project further.

A preliminary global tender

for the supply of coaches was first called for on January 25, 2023. Multiple tenders were called for subsequently but they elicited poor response. A top official had confided to TNIE last year, "Like Bengaluru Metro's Yellow Line, even the BSRP could get stuck without rolling stock to run the operations unless drastic steps are taken." Tenders in connection with civil works have been floated only for two of the four corridors of the project (Rajanakunte-Heelalige and Baiyappanahalli-Chikkabannavara) and they are unlikely to commence operations by December 2026, the latest deadline announced by K-RIDE.

# Cauvery Aarati is cultural in nature, not commercial, High Court told

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

RECORDING assurance of the state government and the Bengaluru Water Supply and Sewerage Board (BWSSB) that the Cauvery Aarati, scheduled for March 21 at Sankey tank, is purely a cultural event and not a commercial one, the Karnataka High Court directed authorities to ensure smooth public movement and maintain law and order.

The court made these observations while declining to pass any orders on an interlocutory application filed by Geetha Misra through advocate GR Mohan. The petitioner contended that events planned as part of the Cauvery Aarati could disrupt birdlife at night and that any temporary or permanent structures erected in the buffer zone would violate environmental laws.

A division bench comprising Chief Justice NV Anjaria and Justice KV Aravind emphasised adherence to Section 12 of the Karnataka Tank Conserva-



DCM DK Shivakumar inspects Sankey Tank, where Cauvery Aarati will be performed

tion and Development Authority Act, which outlines prohibitory acts within the tank area.

In response to the court's query on legal compliance, Advocate General K Shashikiran Shetty, along with counsels representing the BBMP and BWSSB, affirmed that the event is a cultural gathering and not unprecedented, having been held at the same location in the past.

Meanwhile, the BWSSB's

counsel argued that the event aims to raise public awareness about the significance of water conservation. He cited Section 5 (13) of the Act, which mandates community and voluntary participation in tank development. Stressing the need for greater awareness regarding responsible water use and conservation, he urged the court to recognise the event's role in fostering public consciousness on these issues.

# Activists slam InstaMaid: Is ₹49 per hour maid service modern slavery?

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

URBAN Company's latest quick-commerce venture, 'InstaMaid,' is facing backlash from labour rights activists, who argue it exploits domestic workers and violates labour laws. Labour unions have raised concerns over whether, in an era of instant coffee and instant noodles, human labour is also being reduced to a mere on-demand, disposable commodity.

Launched recently in Mumbai on a pilot basis, the service allows users to book a maid for just Rs 49 per hour, with a promise of doorstep service within

15 minutes. The activists however argue whether the wages offered comply with Indian labour laws and what percentage of Rs 49 actually goes to the worker. The Domestic Workers' Rights Union and Stree Jagruti Samiti, along with other supporting groups criticised the initiative, questioning how such extreme exploitation of domestic workers is being allowed and why labour protections are failing to prevent such exploitation.

The unions asked if India is truly progressing in ensuring fair wages and dignified working conditions for informal workers, or if it is moving backward into a modern form of

slavery disguised as a market-driven service. They pointed out that domestic workers continue to operate without contracts, social security benefits, or any grievance redressal mechanisms. Many of them face false accusations of theft when they demand unpaid wages, and countless live-in workers are trafficked from economically weaker regions.

Dhanalaxmi, a domestic worker from Bengaluru, said, "We fought so hard to secure Rs 150 per hour. Even that is barely enough to survive. And now they want to reduce it to Rs 49?" The activists urged the public to raise their voices against Instamaid and similar models.



## NEW LOOK SOON

Ongoing reconstruction work at the century-old Bengaluru East Railway Station. South Western Railway has temporarily shut the station for passenger services and 41 trains will not stop here until further notice | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

## Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

21<sup>st</sup> March: Every time I give an interview, I am asked how astrology works. The simple answer is that it doesn't work in any way that twentieth century science can understand. Its starting assumption is that all parts of the universe are linked to all other parts, and that therefore patterns on Earth are linked to rhythms in the sky, by looking at one, we gain insights into the other.

### ARIES

(Mar 21 - Apr 20)



Given that partners will be a volatile mood and liable to upset even the most perfect gatherings, your social stars are excellent. Take the initiative and have confidence that your plans will please everyone in the end - even if they don't see eye-to-eye now.

### TAURUS

(Apr 21 - May 21)



The Moon is offering the best genuinely friendly celestial alignment you've had all week. The most general advice can offer is to try to look beyond the material pressures of the last week and plan for a brilliant and brighter life. And look to the future with faith.

### GEMINI

(May 22 - June 21)



Venus is protecting your social life and relationships with colleagues, meaning that you may now be ready to take a few risks. Your approach must be subtle but firm. There is nothing to be gained from storming in with all guns blazing, unduly alarming people who are in an anxious mood.

### CANCER

(June 22 - July 23)



Personal freedom is the key, although you will have to judge whether you can afford to abandon certain onerous but necessary responsibilities. Perhaps you should keep fundamental personal commitments in place for now, at least until you're sure that there is space for change.

### LEO

(July 24 - Aug 23)



As emotional turbulence dies down, you will begin to see that life must be tackled on a purely practical basis, doing what needs to be done in an unfussy and unpretentious manner. No frills are needed, so don't get seduced into unnecessary sidelines.

### VIRGO

(Aug 24 - Sept 23)



Domestic affairs occupy your time, and family members will demand your attention. Actually, although a great many important developments seem to be in the offing, if you concentrate on personal affairs, you should avoid emotional tangles.

### LIBRA

(Sept 24 - Oct 23)



You're being encouraged to try out new solutions to old problems. From a close look at your current stars, I'd say that you need to focus on the untied and original, rather than on outmoded ways of doing things. Get on and give up all those bad habits that you know have been holding you back.

### SCORPIO

(Oct 24 - Nov 22)



It's been a bit of a serious week so far, what with turbulent planetary influences causing certain plans to be postponed or changed. However, now that the Moon is moving into lighter regions of the zodiac, you can let up the pressure. You can even allow partners to look after the practical details.

### SAGITTARIUS

(Nov 23 - Dec 22)



Celestially speaking, the Moon is under control. In your private affairs this means that what you say goes, at least as far as home affairs are concerned. Set a generous example and hold out the promise of emotional rewards if you want other people to follow your lead.

### CAPRICORN

(Dec 23 - Jan 20)



Make every effort possible to get in touch with old friends over the next few days. You'll be pleasantly surprised by the emotional support that such contacts can bring, and will soon be very much happier. You will, however, not always feel in control of your own affairs.

### AQUARIUS

(Jan 21 - Feb 19)



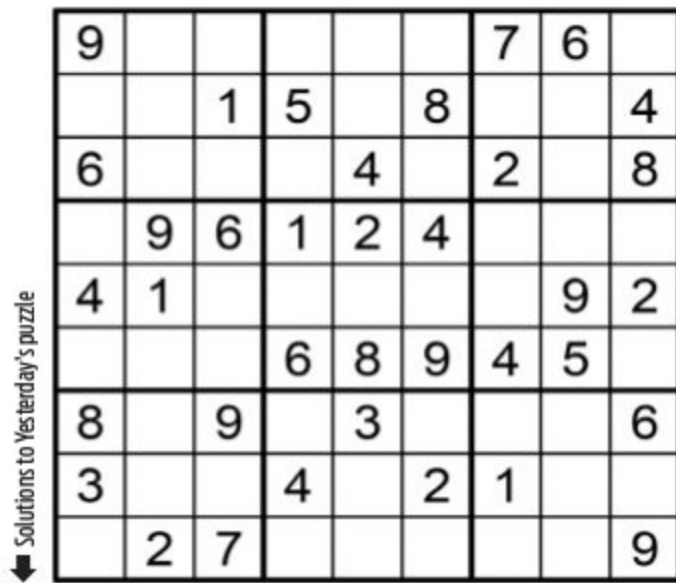
Your stars are fortunate, but wasteful. Although a number of areas of your solar chart are showing difficulties, others are considerably easier. The report of your work, for example, is indicating great promise if you only give up a few stale habits.

### PISCES

(Feb 20 - Mar 20)



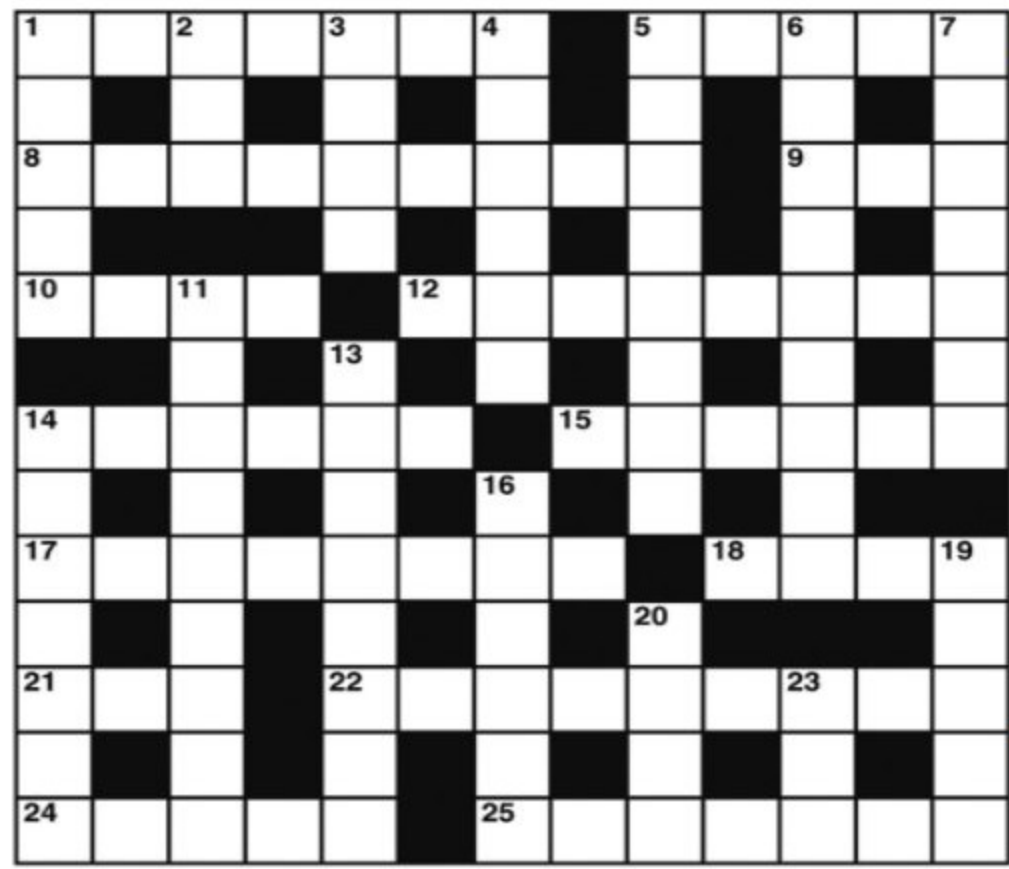
Professional Pisceans can only gain from today's intriguing planetary movements. The chances for commensurate financial rewards are still good but, by now, the arrangements should be complete. The last thing you want is too many loose ends causing complications.



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- Running across junction (7)
- A question of choice (5)
- Happen to change course (4,5)
- Short tailless dog (3)
- A span of roughness (4)
- Such a net may become loose (8)
- Many admit to being inexperienced (6)
- Saah's new worry (6)
- Suggest the main difference is in prestige (8)
- Let it be one sort of square in another (4)
- Frequently no distance at all (3)
- Put back in office and control political committee (9)
- Reviewed American position in the Mediterranean (5)
- After midnight youngsters sparkle (7)

### YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Celebrity, 5 Bias, 9 Storm, 10 Animal, 11 Going concern, 12 Letter, 14 Chapel, 17 China cabinet, 20 Reigned, 21 Drake, 22 Styx, 23 Browbeat.

### DOWN

- Doctor has endless discussion over coffee (5)
- Wood essential in model making (3)
- Country that is right to put Scotsman out (4)
- Earth reduced to dust? (6)
- He's paid to mind someone else's business (8)
- An insect's uninterrupted development (9)
- Gear to make use of horsepower (7)
- They spend their time together (9)
- Rounded up but not rounded off (8)
- Be like the rest and study past results (7)
- The horses in the racket (6)
- The king holds one of them (5)
- It's a foreign drink (4)
- Skill acquired through regular training (3)

## JUMBLE

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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# HOME MIN ORDERS HIGH-LEVEL PROBE INTO HONEY TRAP CASE

Rajanna seeks probe, says ready to reveal all, blackmailing leaders has become a menace

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
@Bengaluru:

KARNATAKA Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara on Thursday announced in the Assembly that he will order a high-level probe into the alleged honey trap attempt on Cooperation Minister KN Rajanna.

Replying to reporters' queries, Rajanna admitted that he was subjected to a honey trap attempt. He sought a probe by a panel headed by a retired High Court judge. "I will not shy away from revealing the fact that a honey trap attempt was done on me. I am not Sathya Harishchandra or Sri Ramachandra to hide it," he asserted.

Earlier, replying to BJP's demand for a probe into the incident, which has created ripples in political circles, Parameshwara clarified that after Rajanna files a complaint, action will be taken. "(BJP MLA) Basanagouda Patil Yatnal raised the issue, legislators Sunil Kumar and Muniratna spoke. Since it is a question of the dignity of every member of the House, we should put an end to it. I will order a high-level investigation into the incident," he stated.

Earlier, raising the issue, Yatnal regretted that honey traps involving people's representatives, including ministers, have become common in Karnataka. "An attempt was made on Rajanna, and it amounts to blackmailing people's representatives. I urge the Home Minister to take action in the interest of all legislators... A leader who is longing to become CM has done (honey trap) attempt on Rajanna, and it could someone else next," he said.

Rajanna stood up to insist the



Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara speaks during a debate on the attempted honey trapping of a minister in the Legislative Assembly on Thursday | EXPRESS

Home Minister order a probe. "Yatnal took my name and I should reveal the facts. There are 48 leaders, irrespective of party affiliation, who were subjected to honey trapping, and they brought a stay order on broadcasting it in the media. It is not restricted to Karnataka leaders, there are cases of central leaders getting trapped too," he said.

He said those behind the honey trap attempt should be exposed. Blackmailing leaders by terrorising them with sleazy CDs and pen drives has become a menace, he said.

Rajanna expressed his sympathies for former minister HD Revanna as his family (including his son and former MP Prajwal Revanna) too was allegedly being blackmailed. Rajarajeshwari Nagar MLA Muniratna also alleged that he was implicated in a false rape case. "They (political rivals) are destroying the lives of Ramesh

Jarkiholi, HD Revanna and have tried to spoil my life," an emotional Muniratna alleged.

Earlier, senior BJP leader Sunil Kumar said he condemns the honey trapping of leaders. "Political clashes should happen over ideology and developmental issues. Who is the influential minister behind the honey trap attempt on Rajanna?" he questioned.

When the debate happened in the assembly, both Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and Deputy CM Shivakumar were not present. Siddaramaiah was in his office at the lounge, discussing the honeytrap case and other issues with minister Byrathi Suresh. Interestingly, the CM's reply on the budget debate, scheduled for Thursday, was postponed to Friday morning. Rajanna met the CM at his residence earlier to discuss the issue, and got his consent to speak on it as his name was doing the rounds, sources said.

## Victims should file plaint: DKS

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
@Bengaluru

WITH the alleged attempts to honey trap a minister in the Siddaramaiah cabinet creating ripples in political circles, Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar said those affected should immediately file a complaint.

"I don't know, but if anyone has been affected, let them file a police complaint immediately. Don't waste time," the state Congress president told reporters. Let an investigation be done and he will also request the home minister and home department to give protection to those affected, the DyCM said.

In the Assembly, Home Minister G Parameshwara said they will order a high-level probe.

Shivakumar dismissed allegations of vendetta politics in Union Minister HD Kumaraswamy's alleged land encroachment case. "Vendetta politics is in his DNA. The officials have only followed court orders. The case was filed by S R Hiremath (of Samaja Parivarthana Samudaya). How is this vendetta politics? We have not lodged any complaint; it was filed by Hiremath. He has filed many cases against me too. Government officials are doing their job after court orders. There is no vendetta in this," Shivakumar said.

The DyCM said it is in his best interests that Kumaraswamy maintain silence.

Asked about his remarks on giving up the party post, Shivakumar said the party will decide on this. "I have done my duty. No one is permanent here, including me. I would like to complete the construction of Congress offices in my tenure. We are all committed to the party's decision, whether it happens in 5 or 10 years. I am in no hurry; I will abide by the party's decision," the minister said.



Deputy CM and Major and Medium Irrigation Minister DK Shivakumar informs the Council on irrigation projects, at Vidhana Soudha on Thursday | EXPRESS

## DKS seeks BJP backing to press Centre on UKP

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THE irrigation department needs Rs 87,818 crore for the Upper Krishna project as per the estimate done by former chief minister Basavaraj Bommai and the cost would go up if the estimate is done now, said Deputy Chief Minister D K Shivakumar.

He said Upper Krishna has to be designated as a national project and sought the support of BJP members at the Legislative Council on Thursday.

Shivakumar, who is also Major and Medium Irrigation Minister, in his reply to MLC P H Poojar, who had asked if the process of acquiring land for the third phase of the project has begun, said, "The budget of both the major and minor irrigation departments is Rs 22,000 crore. However, the state is committed to completing the project."

Sharing details of land acquisition, Shivakumar said, "Already, 75,563 acres of acquired land were submerged with 2,543 acres under progress. Over 29,500 acres of land are in various stages and 43,452 acres need to be acquired. We need 6,467 acres for rehabilitation, of which 50 per cent ie. 3,392 acres have been acquired. Of this, 2,600 acres are in various stages and 471 acres are pending."

He said 1,33,867 acres are required for the construction of a canal network and of this, 51,000 acres have already been acquired and the government has 22,962

acres of land in various stages.

Shivakumar told Poojar, who raised an objection to the allocation of only 5 per cent to the project, that the credit for raising the most questions related to the project should go to the MLC. "Chief Minister Siddaramaiah has agreed to land acquisition in one go. You (Poojar) are picking a fight with us..."

He sought the support of the opposition BJP members to convince the BJP-led Union government to declare Upper Krishna as a national project.

**Varahi project will be completed soon: DKS**

When MLC Manjunath Bhandari questioned the DCM on the status of the Varahi Project, Shivakumar said, "It took 26 years from 1979 to 2005 to get a letter of understanding from the central pollution control board after which the project got life. Steps will be taken to complete the work as soon as possible. Water is flowing only on the left bank of Varahi."

He said land acquisition is one of the major issues and stated that officials came up with the project in 1979 without knowing the forest policies. Shivakumar told the House that they need Rs 73,000 crore just for land acquisition.

While the total budget of major and minor irrigation projects is Rs 22,000 crore, Shivakumar said works to the tune of Rs 1.5 lakh crore are going on. He assured the House of visiting the project site along with Bhandari.

## Bommai seeks Central nod for irrigation projects

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HAVERI MP and former chief minister Basavaraj Bommai suggested setting up a single national tribunal under the leadership of a sitting Supreme Court judge to resolve interstate water disputes.

Participating in a discussion on the demands of the Ministry of Jal Shakti in the Parliament, he said the Mekedatu balancing reservoir project is Karnataka's rightful claim and has been pending for six years without a decision. He urged the Union government to take the initiative to resolve it and direct the Central Water Resources Commission and Central Water Commission to take appropriate action. On the Mahadayi project, he said the tribunal has given its verdict, but environmental clearance has not been granted, causing difficulties for Karnataka.

He urged the central government to intervene and allow Karnataka to raise the height of the Almatti reservoir. The Union government must clearly explain the Interstate Water Disputes Act to the Supreme Court and facilitate the implementation of the Upper Krishna project, he said.

Bommai also pointed out that Karnataka is facing injustice in the interlinking of rivers like Godavari, Mahanadi, Krishna and Cauvery. The NWDA (National Water Development Agency) should be given proper instructions to safeguard Karnataka's water rights, he said.



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Basavaraj Bommai, Haveri MP

### BJP seeks CBI probe into case

Bengaluru: The Opposition BJP has sought a CBI probe into alleged attempts to honey-trap a minister in Chief Minister Siddaramaiah's cabinet. BJP state president BY Vijayendra said it is a serious issue. He said the minister himself indicated that around 48-49 people were honey-trapped and he sought a probe. "This case cannot be probed by a high court judge or a retired judge. Not by a SIT. The government has to order a CBI probe," the BJP leader said. Responding to a question, Vijayendra said Rajanna has to reveal who is behind such attempts. **ENS**

### 'Everyone knows who's responsible'

Belagavi: PWD Minister Satish Jarkiholi has expressed serious concern over the increasing attempts to honey trap noted leaders and ministers in the state. He said, "Everyone knows who the person behind honey trapping is. There is a team in the state only to target political leaders by honey trapping." Jarkiholi said, "Attempts have been made twice to honey trap the minister. A systematic conspiracy has been made to tarnish the minister's image," he said. Jarkiholi said such attempts were being made to spoil the image and career of leaders. **ENS**

## BJP MLCs oppose Hariprasad's remark on RSS

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A HEATED debate erupted in the Council on Wednesday after BJP members objected to Congress MLC and former AICC General Secretary BK Hariprasad's remarks about the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS).

BJP MLCs Kishore Prasad, Deputy Chairman MK Pranesh, and Prathap Simha Nayak strongly opposed Hariprasad's statement, demanding that it be expunged from the records. Hariprasad, however, defended himself, saying that he was merely quoting from a book authored by an RSS member, Hanume Gowda, and had not added any personal views. As tensions rose, Council Chairman Basavaraj Horatti assured the members that he would review the records and take a decision accordingly.

## ₹201cr spent to tackle Naxalism in K'taka: Dr G

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FROM 2008 till now, the government has spent over Rs 201 crore to tackle Naxals in Karnataka. Of this, Rs 150 crore has been spent on salaries from 2018 till February 2025 and Rs 51.31 crore on non-salary expenses from 2008 till March 4, 2025, said Home Minister Dr Parameshwara. He was replying to a question raised by BJP MLC C T Ravi in the Council on Thursday on measures taken by the government to curb naxalism and the expenses incurred.

"Our government has declared Karnataka a "Naxal-free state" and the Anti-Naxal Force will be disbanded. However, we will continue to keep a watch for Naxal activities in the state, especially in the forest areas of Udupi, Shivamogga and Chikkamagaluru through the



intelligence wing of the Anti-Naxal Force," he said.

To curb Naxal activities in the state, the Anti-Naxal Force was set up in 2005. Twenty-two naxalities have surrendered along with their arms so far

### State to have 165 cops per 1 lakh population

While the national average of police-to-population ratio is 196 police personnel for every one lakh population, in Karnataka, it is only 150 and the existing police force is overburdened, said MLC Manjunath Bhandari. Replying to him, Parameshwara said recruitment is being done and the ratio will touch 165. "In Madhya Pradesh, the ratio is 121; in Maharashtra, it is 136, Rajasthan 119, Tamil Nadu 159 and Bihar 81. Compared to other states, we are better. Due to various reasons, the recruitment didn't happen and now it is done. Once the recruitment is done, we will reach 165 police personnel for every one lakh population," he said.

under the Naxal Surrender Policy, Parameshwara informed the house.

Ravi advised the government to take steps to prevent the state from becoming a Naxal sleeper cell and to keep a tight vigil on "urban Naxals."

### Poor state of M'luru prison

A new prison is being built on 63 acres of land on the outskirts of Mangaluru in Bantalan taluk. The works will soon be completed, and the existing prison in Mangaluru will be shifted to the new

location, said Parameshwara. He was replying to MLC Ivan D'Souza who said the existing prison in the heart of Mangaluru city is over-crowded, prisoners fall ill due to food poisoning, frequent clashes break out among prisoners, prison staff get attacked and it has become a hub for illegal activities. Ivan said the prisoners were filling up the mobile jammers with 'salt' so that it wouldn't work, and there was no action from the prison officials.

Parameshwara said once the new prison is built, the prisoners will be shifted there and suitable measures will be taken so that no illegal activities are conducted. "To prevent mobile use inside the prison, high-tech jammers will be installed," the home minister said. He said jammers would be installed in such a way that it doesn't interrupt the mobile signals of those living around the prison.

### ASSEMBLY NOD TO DR H NARASIMHAIAH AUTHORITY, NOTARIES BILLS

Bengaluru: The Legislative Assembly on Thursday approved the Dr H Narasimhaiah Science, Educational, Cultural and Tourism Development Authority Bill, 2025. Law and Parliamentary Affairs Minister H K Patil moved the Bill which provides for the establishment of an authority for the development of the Dr H Narasimhaiah Science, Educational, Cultural and Tourism memorial sites in Hosur, Vidurashwatha and Gauribidanur taluk, Chikkaballapur, into Science, Educational, Cultural and Tourism Centres. The Assembly also approved the Notaries (Karnataka Amendment) Bill, 2025, to make provisions for reservation in appointments of notaries by amending the Notaries Act, 1952 (Central Act 53 of 1952). It provides for reservation in appointments to applicants from Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Other Backward Classes, horizontal reservation for women and physically challenged persons. If a candidate from these categories is not available, then such posts will be filled from persons belonging to the General Category. **ENS**

### BILLS PASSED IN COUNCIL

The Karnataka Public Service Commission (Conduct of Business and Additional Functions) (Amendment) Bill 2025

Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (Amendment) Bill, 2025



Universities of Agricultural Sciences (Amendment) Bill, 2025

## CAG SEEKS INQUIRY INTO MISUSE OF FUNDS

Bengaluru: The CAG has recommended to the state government to conduct a detailed inquiry into embezzlement of funds by producing fake bills for works taken up under Karnataka Neeravari Nigam Limited (KNNL). In its report, the CAG stated that a contractor produced fake bills for executing some irrigation works. He claimed money for transporting 12-metre pipes and other goods to the project site. A thorough check of the registration numbers of the vehicles mentioned in the invoices, revealed that 32 vehicles were two-wheelers, 20 three-wheelers, a car and the rest tractors. The report stated that the embezzled funds should be recovered from the contractor and others. Work on 38 minor irrigation/zilla panchayat tanks under Savanuru Lift Irrigation Project was administratively approved by KNNL and the contract awarded to Mangaluru-based Ocean Constructions (India) Pvt Ltd for Rs 90.57 crore. A sum of Rs 83.20 crore was paid to the contractor by March 2022. The contractor claimed that HDPE pipes were purchased from a Rajkot-based company, and without verifying it, the officials released Rs 40.16 crore. **ENS**

## Govt proposes 100% salary hike for CM, ministers, legislators

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THE state government is all set to increase the salary and other allowances of the CM, ministers, speaker of the Assembly, chairman of the Council, and MLAs and MLCs by over 100%.

The monthly pension of former legislators is also likely to go up. Government sources said that a draft proposal in this regard has been sent from the Law and Parliamentary Affairs Department to the governor's office. Only after the governor's approval, the Karnataka Ministers' Salaries and Allowances

(amendment) Bill will be tabled in both Houses for approval.

"We are yet to get a communication from the governor's office. We are not sure whether the Bill will be placed during this session itself," the sources said.

The Mysore Ministers' Salaries and Allowances Act, 1956, has been amended several times after Karnataka state came into being. It has been replaced with the Karnataka Ministers' Salaries and Allowances Act. It was amended in 2022. According to this Act, the CM's salary is Rs 75,000 and



ministers' Rs 60,000 a month along with a sumptuary allowance of Rs 4.5 lakh. The government now wants to increase the salary of the CM to Rs 1.5 lakh

and that of ministers to Rs 1.25 lakh and their sumptuary allowance to Rs 5 lakh.

Similarly, the government wants to increase the salary of MLAs and MLCs from Rs 40,000 to Rs 80,000. It has proposed to increase the constituency travel allowance from Rs 60,000 to Rs 80,000, miscellaneous allowances, including telephone, postal and other expenses -- which is Rs 85,000 -- to Rs 1.1 lakh. The government wants to increase the annual rail/air fare from Rs 2.5 lakh to Rs 3.5 lakh a year.

The government has proposed to increase the pension of

MLAs and MLCs from Rs 50,000 to Rs 75,000 per month, and the salary of the Assembly speaker and Council chairman from Rs 75,000 to Rs 1.25 lakh per month and their sumptuary allowance from Rs 4 lakh to Rs 5 lakh.

The government wants to increase the house rent allowance from Rs 1.6 lakh to Rs 2.5 lakh. It also wants to increase the salary of the deputy speaker, deputy chairman and leaders of opposition from Rs 60,000 to Rs 80,000, their sumptuary allowance from Rs 2.5 lakh to Rs 3 lakh, and the chief whip's salary from Rs 50,000 to Rs 70,000.



# IISc develops non-invasive, needle-free glucose checks for diabetics

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FOR millions of people with diabetes, checking blood glucose levels is a painful yet daily necessity as it requires pricking the skin several times a day, which is inconvenient and poses risk of infection. However, scientists at the Indian Institute of Science (IISc) have developed a painless alternative, using light and sound instead of needles. This breakthrough, based on a technique called photoacoustic sensing, can change the way glucose level is monitored.

'Photoacoustic sensing' is a method wherein a laser is

beamed on to biological tissues. When the tissue absorbs the light, it heats up slightly — by less than 1 degree Celsius — causing it to expand and contract. This tiny movement generates ultrasonic sound waves, which can be detected by specialised instruments. Since different molecules absorb light in unique ways, they create distinct "fingerprints" in the emitted sound waves, allowing scientists to identify and measure specific substances in the body — without ever needing to break the skin.

To make this technique work for glucose detection, the IISc team used polarised light —

light waves vibrating in only one direction. This is similar to how sunglasses reduce glare by filtering out certain light waves. Glucose, like many biological molecules, is chiral — meaning it rotates polarised light when it interacts with it.

The researchers found that this rotation affected the intensity of the sound waves produced, revealing a way to measure glucose levels accurately.

"We do not know why the acoustic signal changes when we change the polarisation state. But we can establish a relationship between glucose

concentration and the intensity of the acoustic signal at a particular wavelength," Jaya Prakash, Assistant Professor at IISc's Department of Instrumentation and Applied Physics, and the study's corresponding author, explained.

As glucose concentration increases, it rotates the polarised light more, and this change is reflected in the strength of the sound waves. By analysing these signals, the researchers precisely estimated glucose levels — without needing a blood sample.

To prove the method, the team tested in different envi-

ronments, starting from measuring the glucose levels in water and serum solutions, then on to slices of animal tissues, achieving near-clinical accuracy. The team could measure glucose at different depths within the tissue — a key requirement for practical medical use.

"If we know the speed of sound in the tissue, we can use the time series data to map our acoustic signals to the depth at which they are coming from," Swathi Padmanabhan, a PhD student and first author of the study, said, adding that unlike light, which scatters inside the body, sound wave travels in a more predictable manner, al-

lowing for clearer and more precise measurements from deeper layers of tissue.

## Human trials

The researchers, following successful trials in different environments, conducted a pilot study on a healthy human participant, monitoring blood glucose level before and after meals over three days. The results showed that the technique could track glucose changes in real time.

However, researchers mentioned that scaling up the technology for widespread use comes with challenges. The current set-up requires a laser that produces extremely short

nano-second pulses, which makes it bulky and expensive. "Finding the right set-up to do this was very challenging. We need to make it more compact to put it to clinical use, and have already started work on this," Swathi said.

The researchers believe their technique is not limited to glucose monitoring as many commonly used drugs are also chiral molecules, meaning the same method can be used to measure medication levels in the body. To test this idea, they measured the concentration of naproxen, a popular painkiller and anti-inflammatory drug, in ethanol solution, and succeeded.

## Not power tariff hike, it's HC order for KERC staff pension: George

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KARNATAKA Energy Minister KJ George on Thursday said the State government has not increased electricity rates by 36 paise per unit, it's the Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission (KERC) that has implemented the Karnataka High Court order to collect the government's contribution towards employees' pension and gratuity.

He told the media that pension and gratuity issues of Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited (KPTCL) and Energy Supply Corporations (Escoms) staff have been taken up in accordance with a Karnataka High Court order in March 2024. Following this, KERC implemented a tariff hike. He said: "Our government has not increased electricity rates by 36 paise per unit. The hike follows the High Court order allowing KPTCL and Escoms staff to recover pension and gratuity payments from customers. Based on this, KERC issued the directive. As a result, for financial

year 2025-26, the rate has been raised by 36 paise per unit."

He added that after dissolution of the Karnataka Electricity Board (KEB) and formation of KPCL and five Escoms, the BJP government had in March 2022 submitted a proposal to KERC, requesting approval to recover pension and gratuity contributions from customers. However, KERC had not approved of the proposal, but after the High

Court order, KERC issued the new directive, he said.

"In 2022, during the BJP government's tenure, amendments were made to the Karnataka Electricity Regulation Rules. These changes enabled KPCL and Escoms to file a petition with KERC to recover pension and gratuity contributions from customers," George said.

The Federation of Karnataka Chambers of Commerce and Industry had challenged the proposal in the HC, which rejected the petition on March 25, 2024. Following the court order, KPCL and Escoms submitted a fresh application to KERC on November 30, 2024, George said.

### 'Chandra reportedly carried pen drives to workplace'

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On occasions, Chandra reportedly carried pen drives to the workplace, which is prohibited," the sources claimed. He was a bachelor when he got in touch with the PIOs. He got married recently, they said. According to sources, Chandra, who hails from Ghaziabad in UP, was netted in by the Military Intelligence (MI). Based on the inputs from MI, BEL constituted a fact-finding committee. "He was suspended on Thursday morning and is being interrogated by the fact-finding committee, MI, Intelligence Bureau (IB) and State Intelligence (SI)," the sources said.

## Devis radiate glow of feminine energy

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SUN glitter off Kochi's Marine Drive shimmered brighter than usual on Thursday evening as TNIE honoured 15 women icons with its Devi Awards ceremony at Taj Vivanta for their outstanding contributions in various fields, ranging from feminist activism to fashion innovation. Since its inception in 2014, the Devi Awards series has feted over 375 exceptional women achievers across India. Women who have scripted stories that inspire.

The 32nd edition saw Kerala Governor Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar felicitate 15 'Devi' who have made an indelible mark with their talent, tenacity and triumph. He was joined by TNIE Group CEO Lakshmi Menon, Editorial Director Prabhu Chawla, and Kerala Resident Editor Kiran Prakash in celebrating the following role models: V P Suhara (social activist and writer), Maya Mohan (educator), Rev. Sister Roselin (founder of Snehatheeram), Sudha Chandran (forest guide), P G Deepamol (ambulance driver), VJ Joshitha (cricketer), Usha Nangiar (Koodiyattam exponent), Poornima Indrajith (actor & designer), Sree Kumari Ramachandran (writer), Latha K (celebrity chef), Sheela Kochouseph (entrepreneur), RN Rejitha (CRMG crane operator), and Team Ezha (Swathy Subramanian, Savita Rajan, and Ritu Sara Thomas — heritage conservation and architectural design consultants).

Receiving the award, Maya Mohan said the paramount ideal for an educator has to be "the four-letter word love". "If you have that for them the rest of it follows. Society has changed, the things around the children have changed... so definitely the students have changed, but I believe in them, I see potential and they will do a good job in bringing up this country. Let naysayers say whatever they want, the country is in the safe hands of the youth," she concluded.

Sudha Chandran said the forest was like her mother. "It is my life. My aim is to protect nature. I have struggled a lot in my life, my husband passed away at an early age. I was diagnosed with cancer in 2018. But

I'm not scared of anything as forest is my life. I think if the youth of today are given more exposure to forest and the nuances of nature they will definitely break free from the social evil — drugs," she concluded.

Following the award distribution, Governor Arlekar started his address invoking the Divine Mother, the omnipresent element of divinity: "Ya Devi sarva bhuteshu... namastasyai namastasyai namastasyai namamah..."

He said it was "one word" that initially drew him to the event — the title of the award, 'Devi'. "The very word Devi, that's how we should view women," he stressed. "TNIE has seen something divine in them, and it is that divinity that brought me here."

Each awardee, Arlekar underscored, shone bright as a beacon of inspiration, remind-



Kerala Governor Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar (centre), TNIE CEO Lakshmi Menon (sitting left), Editorial Director Prabhu Chawla (sitting right), Resident Editor-Kerala Kiran Prakash (fourth from left) and Deputy Resident Editor Cithara Paul (extreme right) with Devi awardees (from left) Swathy Subramanian (architect), Poornima Indrajith (actor & designer), V P Suhara (social activist & writer), Ritu Sara Thomas (architect), Maya Mohan (educator), V J Joshitha (cricketer), Sheela Kochouseph (entrepreneur), Sudha Chandran (forest guide), P G Deepamol (ambulance driver), Usha Nangiar (Koodiyattam artist), Latha K (chef), Sree Kumari Ramachandran (writer), R N Rejitha (CRMG crane operator), Savita Rajan (architect) and Rev Sister Roselin Chirayil (social worker) during the Devi Awards presentation ceremony at Taj Vivanta in Kochi on Thursday | P SODRAJ

ing the world that when a woman rises, she lifts an entire generation with her. He also called upon the people to be good human beings in whichever profession or activity they are associated with, before striving to excel in their respective fields.

"There is nothing like a good advocate, a good judge, a good chartered accountant, a good IPS officer, a good IAS official, a good politician.... One needs to be basically a good human being, and then you can become anything. These Devis are good at heart, good human beings. They teach us how to go ahead," Arlekar said. More than economic factors, a humane touch should be provided to every endeavour we make, and being humane is the need of the hour, Kerala Governor Rajendra Arlekar said here on Thursday. "These GDP/economic concepts should come out of it (humane thinking)... something different to think, different to make society better. That's what is needed," he said. The governor had a word of praise for the

people in the state, whom he termed as "more humane in nature". "That's the difference I find here. In Kerala, people are more humane," he said.

Governor Arlekar also used the occasion to warn against the rising drug menace among the younger generation in the state. "We have to do something. I asked all the vice-chancellors of our universities to frame action plans to tackle this issue... However, the responsibility to solve the issues lies with everyone," he said. Arlekar urged the younger generation to turn to books to escape from the drug menace.

Commenting the Devi Awards concept, he said, "This is exactly what we [as a society] need. We need to protect and project divinity. I think all these manifestations of divinity sitting here are the icons of our society, they are guiding lights."

Indeed. And the glow radiated across the packed hall. It was a buoyant evening of elegance and celebration set against a backdrop of camaraderie and appreciation among

Kochi's who's who. Delegates included Kerala government's special representative in Delhi, K V Thomas, Kochi Mayor M Anilkumar, KMRL managing director Loknath Behera, former High Court judge Narayana Kurup, Coast Commander (Kerala & Mahe) N Ravi, former Indian Navy aviator and Shaurya Chakra recipient Captain P Rajkumar, Navy Commander Vijay Charles D'Cruz, DP World Cochin CEO Praveen Thomas, Lisie Hospital director Fr Paul Karedan, singer Minmini, actor and musician Sekhar Menon, and singer George Peter.

"The basis of a society's progress is how women are positioned," said Mayor Anilkumar. "Several patriarchal notions still exist in society. Events like this can help shatter them. Moreover, they can inspire many."

As the sun set down the horizon, there was happiness in the air. And the dappled reflections across the liling backwaters by the venue seemed to radiate a tinge of divinity.

## SSLC exams from today, over 8.96L students to write across Karnataka

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A total of 8,96,447 students from 15,881 high schools across Karnataka will appear for the first annual SSLC exam beginning today (March 21). Among them are 4,61,563 boys and 4,34,884 girls. To ensure a fair examination process and curb malpractice, the Karnataka State Examination and Assessment Board (KSEAB) will once again implement webstreaming for monitoring.

On the first day, students will appear for first-language exams in Kannada, Telugu, Hindi, Marathi, Tamil, Urdu, English, and Sanskrit from 10 am to 1.15 pm across 2,818 examination centres. Electronic devices such as mobile phones, smartwatches, and earphones are strictly prohibited inside examination centres. Officers and staff on examination and security duty are also banned from using mobile phones at the centres. Only the chief of the examination centre is permitted to use a basic mobile phone without a camera.

KSRTC, BMTC, and other transport corporations will offer free bus services for students on the day of exam. Students can avail the service by showing their ID cards and admission tickets. This year, students must score at least 35% to



An SSLC examination centre being readied in Mysuru on Thursday | UDAYASHANKAR S

pass the SSLC examination, as the KSEAB has reverted to the pre-Covid evaluation system. Last year, the board had lowered the passing mark to 25% and added grace marks to help more students get promoted after a significant number failed the SSLC exam. However, School Education Minister Madhu Bangarappa recently announced that such relaxations will no longer be in place. He attributed last year's decline in results to new measures like web-casting, which led the board to temporarily reduce the qualifying marks.

### UGCET: Candidates can edit application errors after exam

Candidates appearing for UG CET-25 will be allowed to correct errors in their applications after the exam, Karnataka Examinations Authority (KEA)

Executive Director H Prasanna announced on Thursday.

A total of 3,64,778 candidates have applied this year, with 3,44,989 completing the fee payment. Of these, 1.36 lakh records have been verified online through the Student Achievement Tracking system, while 1.64 lakh candidates have undergone document verification at colleges. However, around 44,000 candidates still need to complete verification. Those with pending verification, as indicated on their claim slips, can do so at their respective PU colleges or the nearest government PU science college.

UG CET is scheduled for April 16 and 17, while Kannada language exam for Horanadu and Gadinadu candidates will be held on April 15. Admit cards will soon be available for download.

### EXPRESS READ

#### Marine police detains two SL fishermen in TN

RAMANATHAPURAM: Two Sri Lankan fishermen, who landed off the Pasipattinam coast in Thondi on a damaged boat, were detained by the Marine Police on Thursday morning. The fishermen are residents of Jaffna. Sources said they were detained, along with their boat, at Pasipattinam. During probe, the fishermen told the officials that they had set out for fishing from Kaliyamm Koil coastal area in Jaffna on Saturday. However, they lost their way and their boat drifted away to Pasipattinam without fuel. The Devipattinam marine police have launched an inquiry, sources said **ENS**



### SWEET IN THE MAKING

A woman dries freshly made vermicelli in Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh, on Thursday. Vermicelli is used to prepare various sweets, including kheer, during Ramzan | EXPRESS

## Do not release NIRF rank list: HC to edu ministry

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THE Madurai Bench of the Madras High Court on Thursday, in an interim stay order, restrained the Union Education Ministry and the National Board of Accreditation (NBA) from publishing the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) rank list for 2025.

A bench of Justices J Nisha Banu and S Srimathy passed the order on a public interest litigation (PIL) petition filed by C Chellamuthu of Dindigul alleging malpractices and lack of transparency in calculation of scores for the rank list.

Chellamuthu, in his petition,

said the NIRF ranking, launched to evaluate higher education institutions nationwide, is arrived at merely based on the data provided by the institutions concerned without any verification or auditing. Many institutions submit false data to boost their ranking to lure students and MNCs, the petitioner said.

Chellamuthu submitted comparative data of the National Assessment and Accreditation Council's (NAAC's) AQAR (Annual Quality Assurance Report) reports and the NIRF reports, separately posted by some educational institu-

tions on their websites.

He pointed out that the figures corresponding to the number of PhD students, faculties, research and development funds, consultancy project funds received, and the like are higher in the NIRF reports, than for the same parameters in the AQAR reports.

As the AQAR documents are verified by the NAAC's expert committees, the difference in the NIRF data could only mean that the latter was manipulated by the institutions to get a better score, Chellamuthu claimed. Consequently, institutions with poor academic quality and in-

frastructure receive top rankings while many state universities and reputed institutions are left out of the rank list, he alleged and added that it could negatively impact the quality of higher education in the country. The petitioner requested the court to direct the union ministry and the NBA to publish NIRF rankings only after due verification and by disclosing the method adopted for calculating scores.

Considering the data submitted before the bench, the judges passed the interim order. The government counsel sought time to file a counter affidavit, following which the case was adjourned to April 24.





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### E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

**E-Auction Sale Notice for 30 days Sale of immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provision to rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule, 2002.**

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/ charged to the Secured Creditor, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised officer of Union Bank of India (secured Creditor) will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is basis" on the date mentioned above, for recovery of dues as mentioned hereunder to Union Bank of India from the below mentioned Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s). The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit are also mentioned hereunder.

**Union Bank of India, Ulsoor Road Branch, No.21, Ulsoor Road,  
Opp: Telephone Exchange, Bengaluru-560042**

**1. Name and address of the Borrower, Co-Applient and Guarantor:**  
**(1) Mr. D Parthasarathy S/o Mr Dharapalm, No.85, Maramma Temple Road, Near Govt Electric Factory, Avalahalli Bangalore-560026. (2) K Ganesh, No.33, Aswathikkatta Main Road, Kasturiba Nagar Mysore Road, Bangalore-560026.**  
**Amount due: Rs. 2,52,90,713/- (Rupees Two Crore Fifty Two Lakhs Ninety Thousand Seven Hundred and Thirteen Only) Plus further interest and legal charges.**  
**Description of immovable secured assets to be Sold:** EMD of All that part and parcel of land and Commercial Building at property bearing No.125/2, Pantharaya Palay, V P Khata No 53, Katha No 53/125/2/160 Situated at 50 feet Road, Sri Sri Balagangadhara Swamiji Road, Pramod Layout, Pantharaya palay, Kengari, Hobli, Bangalore south 1st Main Road, Pantharaya Palaya Village, Kengri, Hobli, Bangalore south Taluk, Bangalore-560036 measuring East to West 85 ft and North to south 110 feet totally measuring 9350 sq feet owned by Mr D Parthasarathy and bounded by: Eastby: Private Property, Westby: Property Site belongs to Pramod House Building Co-operative society, North by: Private property, South to: Pramod.

**Reserve Price: Rs.7,67,00,000/- (Rupees Seven Crore Sixty Seven Lakh Only)  
 Earnest Money to be Deposited: Rs.76,70,000/-  
 (Rupees Seventy Six Lakh Seven Thousand Only)**

**For auction related queries contact Union Bank of India,  
 Ulsoor Road Branch, Contact No. 8944931170**

**Union Bank of India, Gandhinagar Branch, No.14, Sevaksahetra, 1st Main Road, Gandhi Nagar, Bangalore, Karnataka.**

**2. Name and address of the Borrower, Co-Applient and Guarantor:**  
**(1) M/s. R N R Constructions, No. 183, 1st Cross, 6th Main, Annappomeshwari Layout, Ullal Main Road, Bangalore-560056. (2) Mr. Nanjesh H G, No.47A, 3rd Cross, Muneshwara Nagar Layout Ullal Main Road, Bangalore-560056. (3) Mrs.Rajeshwari H N, No.47A, 3rd Cross, Muneshwara Nagar Layout Ullal Main Road, Bangalore-560056. (4) Mr. Shivalinga Gouda, No.183, 1st Cross, 6th Main, Annappomeshwari Layout, Ullal Main Road, Bangalore-560056**  
**Amount due: Rs. 30,70,528/- (Rupees Thirty Lakhs Seventy Thousand Five Hundred and Twenty Eight Only) as on 14.03.2025 with further interest and legal charges.**  
**Description of immovable secured assets to be Sold:** All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing No.183, now BBMP Ward No.12, Katha No.42, Old No.42, New No.107/1, situated at Mallathahalli Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 30 feet together with ACC roofed building and bounded on the: East by: Property No.164, West by: Road, North by: Road, South by: Property No.184.

**Reserve Price: Rs.71,40,000/- (Rupees Seventy One Lakh Forty Thousand Only)  
 Earnest Money to be Deposited: Rs.7,14,000/-  
 (Rupees Seven Lakh Fourteen Thousand Only)**

**For auction related queries contact Union Bank of India,  
 Gandhinagar Branch, Contact No. 7702982529**

**Date and time of E-Auction: 25.04.2025 from 12.00 PM to 05.00 P.M.  
 (with 10 min unlimited auto extensions)**

**Last date for submission of EMD: On or before the commencement of e-auction**  
**E-auction website: <https://banknet.com>**

For Detailed terms and condition of the sale, please refer to the link provided in <https://banknet.com> and <https://www.unionbankofindia.co.in>.  
 The online E-auction will be held through website: <https://banknet.com>

**Date: 19.03.2025**  
**Place: Bangalore**

**Sd/- Authorised Officer**  
**Union Bank of India**



**MALABAR CANCER CENTRE**  
**(POST GRADUATE INSTITUTE OF ONCOLOGY SCIENCES RESEARCH)**  
 NABH & NABL Accredited (an autonomous institution under Government of Kerala)  
 Thalassery, Kannur, Kerala - 670 103, Phone: +91 490 2399244/257, 2355881  
 Fax: 91 490 2355880, Email: mcccty@gmail.com, Web: www.mcc.kerala.gov.in

**E-TENDER NOTICE** 20/03/2025  
 Competitive e-Tenders/Tender/No-Tenders (Two cover systems) are invited from established manufacturers/ authorized suppliers/agencies for the supply of the following items to MCC-PGIOSR through e tender site www.tenders.kerala.gov.in and MCC-PGIOSR website.

| Sl. No. | Item Details                                                                                                                                                                                 | Tender ID/Ref. No. |
|---------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1       | Ophthalmic Chair and Stand Unit                                                                                                                                                              | 2025_MCC_734037_2  |
| 2       | Intervention Radiology / Cath Lab Items                                                                                                                                                      | 2025_MCC_748533_1  |
| 3       | EOI for consultancy service for conducting detailed study at MCC-PGIOSR and prepare the roadmap, process plans, SOPs and strategy for implementing and achieving the self-sustainable model. | 2025_MCC_751462_1  |
| 4       | Hyperconverged Infrastructure (HCI) with Server Virtualization                                                                                                                               | 2025_MCC_752831_1  |

For details visit: www.mcc.kerala.gov.in or contact Purchase Division, Sd/- Director

**बैंक ऑफ इंडिया BOI**  
**Basaveshwamagar Branch**, #313/31A, 4<sup>th</sup> Block, 3<sup>rd</sup> Stage, Dr. Siddayya Puranik Road, Basaveshwamagar, Bangalore-560079. Phone: 080 2295 9455/466  
 Fax: 080-2295 9464 | Email: basaveshwar.bengaluru@bankofindia.co.in

**BASA/ADN/KRS/2024-25/** Date: 01-03-2025  
**NOTICE U/S 13 (2) OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS & ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002**

To

- M/S S R Stone Crushers, No. 441, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cross, 3<sup>rd</sup> Block, 3<sup>rd</sup> Stage, Basaveshwar Nagar, Bangalore-560079.
- Mr. K K Radha Krishna, S/o Kemppegowda, No. 644, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cross, 3<sup>rd</sup> Block, 3<sup>rd</sup> Stage, Basaveshwar Nagar, Bangalore-560079.
- Mr. Shivraj, No. 150, 5<sup>th</sup> Main, 2<sup>nd</sup> Block, RHBCS Layout, Annappurmeswari Nagar, Srignadhada Kaval, Bangalore North, Bangalore-560091.
- Smt. Savitramma S.N. W/o Narayanappa R, No. 47/25, 4<sup>th</sup> Main, 3<sup>rd</sup> Cross, Magadi Main Road, Sunkadkatte, Bangalore-560091.
- Mr. Samarth Gowda K R, S/o Mr. K K Radha Krishna, S/o Kemppegowda, No. 644, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cross, 3<sup>rd</sup> Block, 3<sup>rd</sup> Stage, Basaveshwar Nagar, Bangalore-560079.
- Mrs. D.J. Sujatha Shivraj (Guarantor's)-Mortgagors) W/o Shivraj, No. 150, 5<sup>th</sup> Main, 2<sup>nd</sup> Block, RHBCS Layout, Annappurmeswari Nagar, Srignadhada Kaval, Bangalore North, Bangalore-560091.

At the request made by M/s. S R Stone Crushers, (Principal Debtor) partnership firm represented by its partners (i) Mr. K K Radha Krishna (ii) Mr. Shivraj (iii) Mrs. S N Savitramma (iv) Mr. KR Samarth Gowda, the Bank has granted various credit facilities aggregating to an amount of **Rs.5, 10,00,000/- (Rupees Five Crore Ten Lakhs)** which M/s. D.J. Sujatha Shivraj stood as guarantor and executed letter of guarantee(s) dated **24.03.2017** guaranteeing the due payment of the said amounts and all interest, cost, charges and expenses due and accruing thereon by the Principal Debtor. We give hereunder details of various credit facilities granted by us and the outstanding dues there under as on the date of this notice:

| Nature of Facility | Sanctioned Limit         | Outstanding Dues as on 28.02.2025             |
|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| Cash Credit        | Rs. 20,00,000/-          | Rs. 19,94,488.49/- + Interest from 21.02.2025 |
| Term Loan          | Rs. 4,90,00,000/-        | Rs. 1,93,33,449.92 + Interest from 28.02.2025 |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>Rs. 5,10,00,000/-</b> | <b>Rs. 2,13,27,938.41/- + Interest</b>        |

- The aforesaid credit facilities granted by the Bank are secured by the following assets/securities (particulars of properties/assets charged to Bank): -  
 (a) Hypothecation of Stocks & Book Debts (b) Hypothecation of Plant & Machinery
- DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY:** All that piece and parcel of the vacant land at Khata No. 422/68/3, Ekhat No. 15020020300121123, Converted Land Survey No. 68/3 (Portion of Old Sy No. 68/1) of Kannelli Village, Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk measuring 2 Acres 33 Guntas (Including 2 Guntas of 'A' Karab) belonging in the name of Mrs. D.J. Sujatha W/o Mr. Shivraj and is bounded by East: Land belonging to Smt Rudramma West : 1 Acre 20 Guntas in Sy No. 68/1 belongs to others North: Government Land South: Government Land
- As you have defaulted in repayment of your dues to the Bank under the said credit facilities, we have classified your account as Non-Performing Asset with effect from **28.02.2025** in accordance with the directions/guidelines issued by the Reserve Bank of India.
- For the reasons stated above, we hereby give you notice under Section 13(2) of the above noted Act and call upon you to discharge in full your liabilities to the Bank by paying to the Bank sum of Rs. 19,94,488.49 with further interest @14.95% p.a. in Cash Credit Account & Rs. 1,93,33,449.92 with further interest @14.95% p.a. in Term Loan Account aggregating to **Rs. 2,13,27,938.41** with further interest compounded with monthly rests and all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank till repayment by you, within a period of 60 days from the date of notice, failing which we will entirely at your risks as to costs and consequences exercise all or any of the powers under Section 13 of the Securitisation & Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, against the secured assets mentioned above.
- While we call upon you to discharge your liability as above by payment of the entire dues to the Bank together with applicable interest, all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank till repayment and redeem the secured assets, within the period mentioned above, please take important note that as per section 13(8) of the SARFAESI Act, the right of redemption of secured assets will be available to you only till the date of publication of notice for public auction or inviting quotations or tender from public or private treaty for transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale of the secured assets.
- The amounts realised from exercising the powers mentioned above, will firstly be applied in payment of all costs, charges and expenses which are incurred by us and/or any expenses incidental thereto, and secondly in discharge of the Bank's dues as mentioned above with contractual interest from the date of this notice till the date of actual realisation and the residue of the money, if any, after the Bank's entire dues (including under any of your other dues to the Bank whether as borrower or guarantor) are fully recovered, shall be paid to you.
- If the said dues are not fully recovered from the proceeds realised in the course of exercise of the said powers against the secured assets, we reserve our right to proceed against you and your other assets including by filing legal/recovery actions before Debts Recovery Tribunal/Courts, for recovery of the balance amount due along with all costs etc. incidental thereto from you.
- Please take note that as per Sub-section (13) of the aforesaid Act, after receipt of this notice, you are restrained from transferring or creating any encumbrances on the aforesaid secured assets whether by way of sale, lease, license, gift, mortgage or otherwise.
- The undersigned is a duly authorised officer of the Bank to issue this notice and exercise powers under Section 13 of aforesaid Act.
- Needless to mention that this notice is addressed to you without prejudice to any other right or remedy available to the Bank.

Date : 01.03.2025  
 Place : Bengaluru

Yours faithfully,  
 Authorized Officer  
 Basaveshwamagar Branch

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**LIC HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED**  
 1st Floor, Jeevan Managal Building, Hayes Road, Bangalore -560025. Ph.: 080-43003651

**DEMAND NOTICE**

**NOTICE ISSUED UNDER SEC 13 (2) OF "THE SECURITIZATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIALASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002.**

The following persons whose names are mentioned in Col No.2, The details of properties mortgaged are shown in Col No.5. The borrower has defaulted in repaying the amounts due by them as shown in Col. No. 4, in spite of repeated reminders, consequently these dues have been classified as NPA's as per RBI's guidelines. Notices were sent by Regd. Post to below mentioned date and that is returned / undelivered. Therefore, the respective borrowers are hereby called upon to repay the outstanding amounts due mentioned against their names in Col No.2 within 60 days from the date of this publication, failing which LIC Housing Finance Ltd., would be constrained to initiate proceedings under section 13 (4) of SARFAESI Act against the mortgaged properties mentioned hereunder against the respective Loan A/c's to realize the amounts due to them. The borrower attention is also invited as per Section 13(8) of the SARFAESI Act, the right of redemption of the secured assets will be available to them only till date of publication of Sale Notice.

| Sl. No. | Name of the Borrower & Loan No                                    | Demand Notice Date | Notice Amount (in Rupees)      | Description of the Property                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
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| 1.      | Mr. Srinivasulu C<br>Loan A/c No.<br>411500005888<br>410100009380 | 11/02/2025         | Rs.<br>2833757.00<br>905567.00 | Schedule Property : All that piece and parcel of the Portions of immovable Property being vacant site bearing Nos. 1, 2 & 3, House List Khata No.227/2, Situated at Horamavu Village, Krishnarajapura Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, formerly Bangalore South Taluk, and measuring East to West: On the Northern Side 79 Feet and on the Southern Side 59 Feet and North to South: On the Eastern Side 28 Feet and On the Western Side 25 Feet, in all measuring 1749 Sq.Feet, together with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever manner underneath or above the surface and bounded on the East by: Private Property, West by: Road, North by: Remaining Portions og Site Nos.2 & 3, South by: Remaining portions of Site Nos.2 & 3 sold Usha Shetty.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 2.      | Ms. Kavitha Mohanraj<br>Loan A/c No.<br>412200001429              | 04.03.2025         | Rs.<br>11579224.00             | Schedule "A" Property : Item No.1: All that piece and parcel of Residential Converted Land Bearing Sy.No.73/5, measuring 1 Acre 17 Guntas (converted vide Official Memorandum dated 6/7/2013, bearing No. ALN(EVH) SR/443/2012-13, issued by Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District Bangalore), situated at Balagere Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore and bounded as: East by : Remaining portion of Sy. No. 73/5; West by : Remaining portion of Sy. No. 73/5; North by : Land bearing Sy. No. 73/4; South by : Land bearing Sy. No. 73/6; Item No.1f: All that piece and parcel of Residential Converted Land Bearing Sy.No.73/6, measuring 21 Guntas (converted vide Official Memorandum dated 6/7/2013, bearing No. ALN(EVH) SR/443/2012-13, issued by Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District Bangalore), situated at Balagere Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore and bounded as: East by : Remaining portion of Sy. No. 73/6; West by : Remaining portion of Sy. No. 73/6; North by : Land bearing Sy. No. 73/5; South by : Road; Composite Schedule Property : All that piece and parcel of Residential Converted Land Bearing Sy.No.73/5, measuring 1 Acre 17 Guntas and Residential Converted Land Bearing Sy.No.73/6, measuring 21 Guntas, both the properties totally measuring 1 acre 38 Guntas (converted vide Official Memorandum dated 6/7/2013, bearing No. ALN(EVH) SR/443/2012-13, issued by Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District Bangalore), Presently Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Katha No. 359/73/5/73/6/17, situated at Balagere Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore and bounded as: East by : Remaining portion of Sy. No. 73/5 & 73/6; West by : Remaining portion of Sy. No. 73/5 & 73/6; North by : Land bearing Sy. No. 73/4; South by : Road; Schedule "B" Property : 297 Sq.foot undivided share, right, title and interest in the Schedule A Property (proportionate to the Schedule C Property. Schedule "C" Property : Residential Apartment bearing No. 404 in the 'Fourth Floor, Block-A, in Wing-B, admeasuring a super built area of 1108 Square Feet, consisting of 2 Bedrooms, in the Multistoried Residential Apartment Building known as 'Sri Krishna Excel Stone', constructed over the Schedule "A" Property inclusive of proportionate share in the common areas such as passage, lobbies, lift, staircase and other areas of common area (including half portion in depth of the joints between the Ceiling of the Apartment and floors of the apartment above it, internal and external walls between such levels) and the building is of RCC roofing as per specification appended hereto with separate electricity, common water and sanitation, including all rights, title interest, privileges, appurtenances, together with a covered car parking space slot to be earmarked and the apartment is bounded on: East by: Open to Sky, West by : Corridor, North by : Flat No. 403, South by: Corridor. |

Place: Bangalore  
 Date: 21.03.2025

Sd/- Authorized Officer  
 LIC Housing Finance Limited

**केनरा बैंक Canara Bank**  
 Ulsoor Branch  
 No-18, Cambridge Road, Ulsoor- 560008  
 Mobile No. 9485350791  
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**NOTICE FOR EXERCISING THE RIGHT OF REDEMPTION UNDER SECTION 13 (8) OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002 (HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS "THE ACT")**

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Ulsoor, #18, Cambridge Road Branch, (hereinafter referred to as "the secured creditor"), appointed under the Act do hereby issue this notice, under Section 13(8) of the Act read with Rule 8(6) of the SARFAESI Rules, to you all as under:

As you all are aware that the secured creditor had issued the Demand Notices under Section 13(2) of the Act, on 16.12.2024 to the borrower (1) Mrs. R. Rukmani Devi W/o Sampath Kumar R, No.12/1, Yellamonn Kovil Street, 2nd Cross, Near Ulsoor BSNL, Halasuru, Bangalore-560008. (2) Mr. S. Nareash Kumar S/o Sampath Kumar R, No.6/12, 2nd Cross, LMN Kovil Street, HAL II Stage, Ulsoor Bengaluru-560008, the mortgagor and the guarantors (above mentioned names), demanding to pay an amount of **Rs. 60,53,686.29** (Rupees Sixty Lakh Fifty Three Thousand Six Hundred Eighty Six and Paise Twenty Nine only) and interest stated thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notices.

Since, the Borrowers / Firm, the mortgagors and the Guarantor (above mentioned names) having failed to repay the amount mentioned in the above said demand notices, the Authorized Officer under Section 13(4) of the Act had taken symbolic/Physical possession of the secured assets described in the Possession Notice dated 20.02.2025. Further, the said symbolic/Physical possession notice was duly published in KANNADA PRABHA and THE NEW INDIAN EXPRESS on 21.02.2025. To comply with the provision of SARFAESI Act, 2002 read with Rule 8(6) of SARFAESI Rules, you all are hereby given a last and final opportunity to redeem and reclaim the secured assets, which are in possession of the secured creditor, within 30 days from the receipt of this notice, by discharging the liability of **Rs.61,59,379.89** (Rupees Sixty One Lakh Fifty Nine Thousands Three Hundred Seventy Nine And Paise Eighty Nine Only) as on 27.02.2025, plus subsequent interest, costs and expenses in full, failing which the sale notice under the Act will be published in the newspapers specifying one of the following modes mentioned below, to sell the secured assets: By obtaining quotations from the persons dealing with similar secured assets or otherwise interested in buying assets; or By inviting tenders from the public; or By holding public auction including through e-auction mode; or By private treaty.

As per Section 13(8) of the Act, you are entitled to redeem the secured Assets at any time before the date of publication of sale notice in Newspapers, failing which your Right to redeem the mortgaged property as per Section 13(8) of the Act shall stand extinguished.

This is without prejudice to any other rights available to the secured creditor under the subject Act/ or any other law in force.

Date : 20.03.2025  
 Place : Bengaluru

Sd/-Authorized Officer  
 Canara Bank

**VARTHANA FINANCE PRIVATE LIMITED**  
 Registered Office at: No. 5 BC-110, Varasidhi, 3rd Floor, Outer Ring Road, Service Road, 3rd Block, HRBR Layout, Kalyan Nagar, Bangalore-560043.  
 Website: www.varthana.com, Email: care@varthana.com, Phone : 080-68455777  
 Branch Office: Varasidhi, 5BC-110, 3rd Floor, Service Road, 3rd Block, HRBR Layout, Bangalore-560043.

**DEMAND NOTICE**

**Notice under Section 13(2) & (3) of The Securitisation And Reconstruction Of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002.**

We hereby serve upon you this notice, the contents whereof you may kindly note: That you the Borrower along with Co-applicants/Mortgagors have approached and requested for grant of the credit facility from Indian School Finance Company Private Limited, hereinafter referred as Original Lender (ISFC). This Demand Notice issued on 06-03-2025 the contents of which are being published herewith as per Sec 13(2) of the Act. R/w Rule 3(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, by way of alternative service upon the Borrower/ Co-Applicants/ Mortgagor Nos. 1, 3 and 4 for service of notice, since notices could not be served on the given addresses. At your request and instance, we granted you the following credit facilities (hereinafter collectively referred to as "credit facility"). The details are mentioned below:

Loan Account No. 102103001088. Sanctioned loan amount: Rs.10,00,000/- Total Liability as on 05-03-2025 Rs.23,81,986/- (With Contractual Rate Of Interest), Name & Address of Borrower, Co-Applicants & 1. M/s. Sri Prasanna Primary and High School, Represented by Authorized Signatory, No.114, IInd Main Road, II Cross, Muneswara Nagar, Prashanthnagar, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560079. 2. M/s Sri Ganesha Vikas Vidya Samithi, Represented by Authorized Signatory, Simipadur Village, Purnasera-halli Post, Doddaballapur, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560079. 3. M.S.P Mahesha S/o Puttaswamy, No.19A, 1st A Cross, 5th main Road, SVS Nagar, Moodalpalaya, North Bangalore, Karnataka - 560072. 4. Mrs. Geetha B S w/o S.P Mahesha, No.114, II nd Main Road, Cross Muneswar, Nagara, Prashanth Nagar, Bangalore Karnataka - 560072. Also At: Mrs. Geetha B S w/o S.P Mahesha, No.19A, 1st A Cross, 5th main Road, SVS Nagar, Moodalpalaya, North Bangalore, Karnataka - 560072.

That you availed of the above mentioned credit facilities from time to time and utilized the amount and Further, while availing the financial assistance you have given an undertaking for repayment of the said financial assistance in terms of the said agreement(s)/document(s). You have also created a mortgage by way of Deposit of Title Deeds/ Registered Mortgages creating security interest in favor of the Company which is more fully described in below Schedule.

That you continued to enjoy the above credit facility, however, you became irregular and failed to maintain the financial discipline, despite our repeated request and reminders from the officers of the Company you have failed and neglected to repay the said dues/ outstanding liabilities.

The operation of and conduct of the above said credit facility has become irregular and the debt has been classified as **Non-Performing assets (NPA)** in accordance with directives/ guidelines relating to asset classifications issued by the Reserve Bank of India consequent to the default committed by you in repayment of principal debt and interest thereon accordingly Loan Account has been classified as **Non-Performing Asset** on 31-01-2017. and hereby recall the said loan / credit facility and call upon you to pay the entire outstanding balance together with interest and all sums payable by you under the said Agreement.

On account of defaults committed by you, you are jointly & severally liable to pay to us the total outstanding dues of **Rs.23,81,986/-** as on 05-03-2025 with agreed contractual rate of interest, until the date of payment, together with incidental expenses, cost and other charges, thereon.

Under the circumstances, we hereby call upon you to repay the above said entire dues of **Rs.23,81,986/- (Rupees Twenty Three Lakh Eighty One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty Six Only)** as on 05-03-2025 together with future interest from 06-03-2025 at contractual rate plus legal costs/charges thereon within 60 (Sixty) days from the date of this notice. If you fail to repay to the Company the aforesaid sum with further interest and incidental expenses, cost as stated above in terms of this notice U/Sec 13(2) of the Act, the Company will exercise all or any of the rights detailed under Sub-Section (4) of Section 13 and under other applicable provisions of the said Act.

You are also put on notice that in terms of Sub-section (13) of Section 13 you shall not transfer by sale, lease or otherwise the said secured assets detailed below without obtaining written consent of the Company. This notice is without prejudice to the Company's right to initiate such other actions or legal proceedings, as it deems necessary under any other applicable provisions of Law to recover its legitimate dues.

Be notified that the above subject Loan Account number has been assigned from Indian School Finance Company to Varthana Finance Private Limited vide assignment deed dated 29-02-2024. Further, Varthana Finance Private Limited has now stepped into the shoes of the Creditor and now has the rights to lawfully collect the credit dues from you. Further, all the rights, title and interests of Indian School Finance Company with respect to the financial assets pertaining to the above referred loan account numbers and along with underlying security interests, guarantees, pledges have vested in Varthana Finance Private Limited in respect of the financial assistance availed by the Borrower(s) and Varthana Finance Private Limited exercises all its rights as the secured creditor.

If you have any representations to be made in response to this, please mark the same to the Authorized Officer, M/s Varthana Finance Pvt Ltd., Varasidhi, 5BC-110, 3rd Floor, Service Road, 3rd Block, HRBR Layout, Bangalore- 560043

**Description of the Immovable Property (Secured Asset)** :All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Northern Portion of Site No.388, Assessment No.41/5-6-7, situated at Malagala Village, Yash-wanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Now under the limit of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike War No.103, Pattagrapaya, 1st Main Road, measuring East to West: 30 Feet, North to South: 20 Feet, in all 600 Sq.ft and Bounded By: East: B.S.geetha's Property, West: Padmini's Property, North: Road and South: Remaining portion of same property No.388.

Date : 21.03.2025  
 Place : BANGALORE

Authorized Officer  
 Varthana Finance Private Ltd.

Government of Karnataka  
**RURAL DRINKING WATER SUPPLY & SANITAION**  
**DEPARTEMENT, DIVISION, CHITRADURGA .**  
 Phone No.: 08194-234488 e-mail: eerdwsd.chd@gmail.com  
 Tender Notification No: EE/RDWS&SD/CTA/Tender/1291/  
 2024-25/ Dt: 18.03.2025

**Short Term Tender Notification**

**Through e-procurement**

Tender has been invited for the following work Under Various Schemes in Single and Two cover system through e-procurement. Eligible tenders may obtain the details and tender documents and submitted the filled tender online through website view.http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in. Supply of Various Categories of Manpower to the Office of Executive Engineer, Rural Drinking Water Supply and Saittion Division, Chitradurga and Its Sub-Division office for the Year of 2025-26 Rs. 102.10 Lakhs, Challakere Taluk 01 Works Rs. 6.29 Lakhs And Hiriyur Taluk 02 Works Rs. 11.43 Lakhs. Last Date for Receipt of Bids Dt: 25.03.2025, Technical Bid Opening 26.03.2025 and Financial Bid Opening 27.03.2025 For Further details Office of Executive Engineer and also through e-port web site http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.

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**E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES**

E-auction Sale Notice for the Sale of Immovable Assets under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, r/w rule 8(6) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, (Rule 8 & 9)

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower / Co-Borrower/ Mortgagor (s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Company Limited** the same shall be referred herein after as Cholamandalam investment and Finance Company Limited. The Secured Assets will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis through E-Auction.

It is hereby informed to General public that we are going to conduct public E-Auction through website <https://bankauctions.in/>

| Account No. and Name of Borrower, Co-borrower, Mortgagors                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Amount Outstanding                 | Description of the Immovable Property (Secured Asset)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Reserve Price / EMD / Bid Increment Amount       |
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| <b>Loan Account No. PR000401096.</b><br>1. M/s. Supreme Traders, (Borrower)<br>Farah Centre, 1584/3, Shop No. 15, Santoor Circle, B M Road, Channanpattana, Ramanagara, Karnataka - 562 160.<br>2. M/s. Supreme Steel & Co., (Co Borrower)<br>Behind Taj Hotel, No. 1584, B M Road, Channanpattana, Ramanagara, Karnataka - 562 160.<br>3. Mr. Syed Saifuddin, (Co Borrower)<br>Farah Centre, 1584/3, Shop No. 15, Santoor Circle, B M Road, Channanpattana, Ramanagara, Karnataka - 562 160.<br>4. Mr. Syed Najmuddin, (Co Borrower)<br>5. Mrs. FaheemaBano, (Co Borrower)<br>6. Mr. Syed Samiuddin, (Co Borrower)<br>SI.No. 3 to 6 are residing at: No. 1582, Upper Daira, Khinath Mohalla, Channanpattana, Ramanagar, Karnataka - 562 160<br>7. Mr. Syed Zafaruddin, (Co Borrower)<br>No. 1471/A, Islampur Mohalla, Daira, Channanpattana, Ramanagar, Karnataka-562 160 | Rs. 2,44,56,669/- as on 20.03.2025 | <b>Item No. 1:</b> All that piece and Parcel of the Property bearing New Municipal No.1964/1795/7, Old Municipal No. 1584/2, measuring East to West (19.81+17.98)/ 2mtrs. North to South (13.71+14.32) / 2mtrs, totally measuring 265.05 Sq.mtrs. situated at Block 2, B.M Road East, Sathanure Circle, Channanpattana Town, Ramanagar District and bounded on the East by: Passage for Brothers & Sisters, West by: Private Property, North by: Remaining Portion, South by: Property sold to Sri Syed Najjuddin. <b>Item No.2:</b> All that piece and Parcel of the Property bearing New Municipal No.1964/1795/8, Old Municipal No. 1584/2, measuring East to West (18.29+14.63)/2mtrs. North to South (13.71+14.32)/2mtrs, totally measuring 230.85 Sq.mtrs. situated at Block 2, B.M. Road East, Sathanure Circle, Channanpattana Town, Ramanagar District, bounded on the East by: Passage for Brothers & Sisters, West by: Private Property, North by: Property sold to Sri Syed Samiuddin, South by: Property sold to Sri. Syed Zafaruddin. <b>Item No. 3:</b> All that piece and Parcel of the Property bearing New Municipal No.1964/1795/10, Old Municipal No.1584/2, measuring East to West (16.15+15.54)/2mtrs. North to South (7.32+8.23)/2 mtrs, totally measuring 128.06 Sq.mrs., situated at Block 2, B.M. Road East, Sathanure Circle, Channanpattana Town, Ramanagar District, bounded on the East by: Own Property, West by: Private Property, North by: Pathway and Property belongs to Sri. Syed Zafuruddin, South by: Remaining Portion. <b>Item No. 4:</b> All that piece and parcel of the property bearing New Municipal No. 1964/1795/10, Old Municipal No.1584/2, measuring East to West 15.24 mtrs. North to South 12.19 m trs, totally measuring 185.87 Sq.mtrs, situated at Block 2, B.M. Road East, Sathanure Circle, Channanpattana Town, Ramanagar District, bounded on the East by: Own Property, West by: Private Property, North by: Pathway and Property belongs to Sri. Syed Zafuruddin, South by: Remaining Portion. <b>Item No. 5:</b> All that piece and Parcel of the Property bearing New Municipal No. 1964/1795/4, Old Municipal No.1584/2, measuring East to West (16.76+16.15)/2mtrs. North to South (13.71+14.32)/2mtrs, totally measuring 230.85 Sq.mtrs. situated at Block 2, B.M. Road East, Sathanure Circle, Channanpattana Town, Ramanagar District, bounded on the East by: Passage for Brothers & Sisters, West by: Private Property, North by: Property sold to Sri Syed Najjuddin, South by: Property sold to Sri. A.Syed Saifuddin. <b>Item No. 6:</b> All that piece and Parcel of the Property bearing New Municipal No.1964/1795/6, old Municipal No.1584/2/6, measuring East to West 3.04, North to South -12.19 sq.mtrs totally measuring 37.17 sq.mtrs, situated at Block 2, B.M. Road East, Sathanure Circle, Channanpattana Town, Ramanagar District, bounded on the East by: Property belongs to Kurshid Banu.West by: Property belongs to Mumtaz, North by :Road, South by: Property belongs to Mumtaz, along with the building thereon. | Rs. 4,00,00,000/- Rs. 40,00,000/- Rs. 1,00,000/- |

**E-auction Date and Time : 30.04.2025 - 11.00 am & 12.00 pm (with unlimited extension of 3 min each)**  
**Last Date of Submission of EMD : 28.04.2025 Date of Inspection of Property : As per the appointment**

- All Interested participants / bidders are requested to visit the website <https://bankauctions.in/> and [www.foreclosureindia.com/](http://www.foreclosureindia.com/). For details: help, procedure and online training on e-auction, prospective bidders may contact M/s. A Closure, ( Contact Person: Mr. Dinesh Kumar, Ph. No. 8142000735, Email: dinesh@bankauctions.in)
- For further details on terms and conditions please visit- <https://bankauctions.in/> & <https://cholamandalam.com/news/auction-notices> to take part in e-auction, or contact : Mr. Murali Mohan, Ph: +91 9360662347 / Mr. T. Harish - Ph: 9901909895

THIS IS ALSO A STATUTORY 30 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER RULE 8(6), (RULE 8 & 9) OF SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2002

Date: 21.03.2025  
 Place: Chennai

Authorized Officer  
 Cholamandalam investment and Finance Company Limited.

**LIC HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED**  
 1st Floor, Jeevan Managal Building, Hayes Road, Bengaluru -560025. Ph.: 080-43003651

**POSSESSION NOTICE**

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Office of the M/S, LIC Housing Finance Limited the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Asset and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 9 of security interest(enforcement) Rule 2002 issued demand notice on below mentioned date calling upon the borrower/guarantors to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under Section 13(4) of the said Act with rule 9 of the said rules on below mentioned date.

The Borrower and the public in general are here by cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with property will be subject to the charge of M/s. LIC Housing Finance Limited for an amount notice mentioned below and interest thereon.

The Borrower attention is invited to provisions of section 13(8) of the said ACT, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets

| Name of the Borrower, Loan No & Possession Taken Date                                                              | Demand Notice Date | Notice Amount  | Description of the Property                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
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| Mr. Ashok P<br>Loan A/c No.<br>412200004430<br>Physical Possession Date : 18/03/2025                               | 21/11/2024         | Rs. 937817.00  | SCHEDULE PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of Property bearing Site No.11, Khatha No.146/38/18, PID No.150300201200620190, formed in Sy.No.38/2 & 38/18, (residential conversion order bearing No.ALN/(DE KU) SR 121/2017-18, dated 08-02-2018, issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Rural District), situated at Indrasanahalli Village, Kundana Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 30 feet, totally measuring 1200 Sq.ft., and 0.01.01 guntas converted property and bounded on as follows: East by: Site No.6, West by: Road, North by: Site No.10, South by: Site No.12.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Mr. Shiva Kumar D And<br>Mrs. Vasanthamma<br>Loan A/c No.<br>410100011773<br>Physical Possession Date : 18/03/2025 | 30/12/2024         | Rs. 1046475.00 | SCHEDULE : All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Site No.22, Property No.150200202800521249, Village Panchayath katha No. (House List No.3007/22, measuring East to West: 10.53 + 8.59/2 meters North to South: 12.19 + 12.34/2 meters total measuring 116.50 sq. meters (1254 Sq. feet) in the layout known as "BESCOM METRO LAYOUT", WHICH IS CARVED OUT OF Survey No.93/1, measuring 22 Guntas & Survey No.94/2 measuring 3 Acre 04 guntas, duly converted for residential use vide OM Number A.L.N.(NDH).S.R:26/2012-13 dated 10.09.2012 the layout plan has been approved by Member Secretary Nelamangala Planning Authority vide its plan No.LAO-29/2016-17, dated 11-07-2019, situated at Bethanagere Village, Dasanapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore District, and bounded on the East by: Land in Survey No.94/1, West by: Site No.21, North by: 30 Mr M P Road, South by: Site No.23. |
| Mr. Antony Prakash J And Ms. Femila G<br>Loan A/c No.<br>412100002858<br>Physical Possession Date : 18/03/2025     | 08/01/2025         | Rs. 8865474.00 | Schedule Property ( Now Being Conveyed Under This Deed) : Item No:01: All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Western Portion of Site No.04, Property No.23/2, Khata No.332/1, together with a dwelling house comprising of 2 B H K with marble flooring, with RCC roof, electricity, water and sanitary connections with SBA of around 1000 sq.ft., and situated at Varanasi@Jinkkethimmanahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |



## LET'S FOCUS ON GRAVE CURRENT ISSUES THAN A CENTURIES-OLD GRAVE

IT'S a sign of regression that the grave of a 17th century ruler is gobbling up an inordinate amount of political oxygen in 21st century India. But it's a serious problem when a proposal to relocate it is rupturing communal harmony and triggering violence. Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis added fuel to fire last week when he proclaimed merit in BJP MP Udayanraje Bhosale's demand to remove Aurangzeb's grave from the small town of Khuldabad, not far from the Ellora caves. Resentment had built up after the release of a film fictionalising the travails of Shivaji's son Shambhaji at the hands of the Mughal emperor. The latest political moves led to violence in the nearby Shambhaji Nagar (earlier Aurangabad) and Nagpur almost 500 km away.

There may be reasons to keep a dark cloud of judgement hanging over the Mughal's reign. But there are also two big lessons from history that should deter us from acting on it. First, not far from Aurangzeb's unpaved grave is the brown-stone mausoleum of Malik Ambar, the Ethiopian-origin Muslim general of Ahmednagar sultanate who mentored Shivaji's grandfather Maloji and set off the Bhosale clan's glorious saga. Second, historians have shown that the Mughal emperor showed more religiosity to draw a contrast with others as his failures mounted—including on the battlefield against the Marathas' Muslim commanders and the Muslim rulers of Bijapur and Golconda. Today's rulers would do well to avoid the crutch of piety and answer more consequential questions such as why Kailash Arjun Nagare, winner of a young farmer award in Maharashtra, died by suicide last week after complaining about a lack of irrigated water.

Let Aurangzeb lie in a corner of his spiritual master Zainuddin Shirazi's courtyard. The emperor's remains must have gone back to the elements long ago. The bit of stone and lattice installed around the grave centuries later by a Hyderabad nizam and a British viceroy would be all that can be physically removed. A plaque in the corner says the grave cost Aurangzeb 14 and three-fourths rupees, which he paid for by sewing caps. Its 'relocation' now would cost Indian taxpayers an enormous sum, not to speak of the violence it has and still can cause. It's definitely not worth the cost.

## CENTRE WILL HAVE TO HELP T'GANA BALANCE GROWTH

THE budget document of any government indicates, at a glance, whether the direction it's headed in is realistic. In that sense, Telangana Deputy Chief Minister Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka's budget for 2025-26 is tinged with a cautious optimism. Though it's the first Telangana budget to cross the ₹3-lakh-crore mark, the FM has stretched it only by about ₹15,000 crore compared to the last fiscal. Despite a plethora of welfare schemes, the fiscal deficit is pegged at ₹54,000 crore. If the actual numbers at the end of the year land close to the estimates, Bhatti will have done a fine balancing act.

The lion's share of ₹1.04 lakh crore went to the Congress's six guarantees and other welfare schemes. Capital expenditure has been pegged at ₹36,504 crore, including over ₹10,000 crore for Hyderabad and a proposed fourth large city. The emphasis on accelerating and spreading out industrialisation, and the Mega Masterplan 2050 for it must be appreciated. It's imperative for Telangana to not solely focus on Hyderabad. Only 22.5 percent of its workforce is engaged in the industrial sector; while 42.7 percent works in agriculture; the services sector including IT remains the main contributor, employing 34.8 percent of the workforce. Seen in this perspective, the state's high per capita income isn't a real barometer to assess the demography's economic strength. While welfare schemes surely do empower, a long-term plan is also needed. Besides, the artificial intelligence revolution might prove disruptive for both the services and industrial sectors sometime soon.

Hence, the government's focus on a proposed AI City, upgrading skills and industrialisation is as important as its welfare schemes. The main challenge is to ensure seamless transition to the age of AI in all sectors including agriculture. One big hurdle will be a shortage of funds. While the state will have to mobilise funds without getting into a debt trap—with the outstanding debt at over ₹5 lakh crore—the onus will also be on the Centre. As Bhatti rightly pointed out, Telangana's share in the central pool of taxes decreased from 2.43 to 2.1 percent under the 15th Finance Commission. His call for rational tax devolution that does not punish performing states must be debated.

### QUICK TAKE

#### BEYOND BYZANTINE INTRIGUE

STANBUL, which houses a fifth of Türkiye's population, has always wielded immense power in the country's politics. So a former mayor—Recep Tayyip Erdogan, now president—trying to crush the incumbent—challenger Ekrem Imamoglu—is just another episode of Byzantine court politics. It comes when Türkiye seems on the verge of clinching peace with the Kurds, its largest ethnic minority, and matters also because the NATO member is a close backer of the new Syrian regime. Now that its ruler for more than two decades has detained yet another opponent, one wonders whether the world's most volatile region has just added another crisis of political and diplomatic faith.

BOTH natural and economic ecosystems have one thing in common—they evolve through a process of 'creative destruction'. The inefficient are weeded out over time and replaced by those that are more competent. Thus, the competitiveness of an economy is critically dependent on its ability to encourage and endure a churn despite all the disruptions it may cause in the short run. Unfortunately, evidence suggests that India still does not have a level of churn that one expects of an economy based on high levels of innovation and risk-taking.

One simple way to gauge creative destruction is to look at the churn in the top 10 companies by market capitalisation. Comparing those who made the top 10 in March 2005 to those in March 2025, it is quite striking that seven of them are the same—Reliance, Tata Consultancy Services, Infosys, State Bank of India, Bharti Airtel, Hindustan Unilever and ICICI Bank. Of the new entrants, Life Insurance Corporation is an old public sector enterprise that happened to be listed recently. The other two—HDFC and Bajaj Finance—are hardly examples of new blood.

Contrast this with what happened in the US over the same period. Only one company—Microsoft—managed to stay in the top 10 by market capitalisation. Companies like General Electric, Exxon Mobil, AIG and Walmart have been replaced by Meta, Alphabet, Amazon and Tesla. It is not just the companies, but the successful sectors that have changed. This is what has allowed the US to remain an economic superpower.

A similar dynamism is visible when one looks at China's top 10 companies. Seven of them have changed over the last 20 years. Only three state-owned banks are common to both lists. Meanwhile, old heavyweights like PetroChina, Sinopec and China Mobile have been replaced by the likes of Tencent, Alibaba and Kweichow Moutai. Ranked at number eight, BYD has completely disrupted the world of automobiles. Notice again how both companies and sectors have churned.

The importance of young and energetic companies is visible in both the US and China. Most of the currently high-performing companies in the US were set up after 1990: Alphabet (established in 1998 as Google), Meta (2004 as Facebook) and Amazon (1994). Microsoft and Apple, set up respectively in 1981 and 1977, are old companies by American standards. With the exception of the

Bringing in fresh blood often requires purging old systems. But that has hardly been the case for the Indian economy, where protection has been prioritised over risk-taking

## THE NEED TO USE CREATIVE DESTRUCTION

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state-owned banks, China's top companies are also young: BYD (2007), Alibaba (1999) and Tencent (1998) among them.

Contrast this with India's big companies: SBI (established in 1921 as Imperial Bank), Tata Consultancy Services (1968), Reliance (1973), Life Insurance Corporation (1956), Infosys (1981) and Hindustan Unilever (1933). The only top-10 company established after 1990 is Bharti Airtel (1995).

This is not to suggest that India has not experienced any creative destruction at all. In the last decade, several large companies such as Jet Airways and Essar Steel have disappeared even as new ones like OYO and Zomato have emerged. The introduction of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code in 2016 and

the subsequent cleaning up of the banking sector led to some amount of churn. There has also been a boom in startups in recent years. Nevertheless, it is fair to say that India, now at the threshold of becoming the world's third largest economy, still does not have the same level of dynamic churn as the top two.

So what needs to be done? In my personal view, the first step would be to change a deeply engrained social attitude that looks with suspicion at risk-taking and innovation. Indeed, insolvency is often seen as a moral failure rather than a business failure. It is common during bankruptcy procedures that pleas are made to somehow save an insolvent company. It is as if we were dealing with a much-loved relative who needs urgent

## THE IMPERIAL AGENDA BEHIND TRUMP'S GREENLAND GAMBIT

WHY is US President Donald Trump hyperventilating about Greenland? He spends not a single week without reasserting that its annexation by the US is inevitable, despite the fact that such a move would defy every rule of sovereignty known to humankind. "I think it will happen," he repeated as recently as March 13, forcing the chairman of the Danish parliament's defence committee to remark, "It would mean war between two NATO countries."

Trump is focussing on appropriating both Greenland and Ukraine, alienating the European Union, since both are continental countries. His reasons for usurpation are the same: ego, impunity, minerals, legacy. He doesn't care whom he estranges.

Trump's harping on Greenland being essential for "national security" takes its inspiration from a United States Geological Survey text ("What is a critical mineral?"): "The Energy Act of 2020 defined critical minerals as those that are essential to the economic or national security of the United States..." According to the USGS's 2022 list of 50 critical minerals/elements, more than a dozen of these are nestled untouched by human hands in Greenland. And many of them are abundant in Ukraine.

Greenland's critical mineral and energy assets are estimated at \$4.4 trillion, of which \$1.7 trillion are oil and gas. The value of minerals is, therefore, roughly \$2.7 trillion. More important is that Greenland's resource fortune and strategic location, both untapped, is potentially worth hundreds of billions—perhaps trillions—of dollars in the medium-term, especially with Arctic shipping routes opening up and climate change making resource extraction possible there.

But if there is one thing that the future resists with all its caprice and might, it is being reliably priced. In 2016, it was estimated that 35,000 sq km in Greenland (1.6 percent of its land area) were under mining and mineral exploration. Then, in 2021, Greenland stopped issuing licences for oil and gas because of concerns about climate change and drilling costs, and the exploration area shrank.

It isn't as if Greenland always kept the US out of the picture. (Until recently, before Donald Trump threatened to forcibly annex the island, Greenlanders



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viewed the US positively—despite having turned down the US's proposal 79 years ago to buy Greenland for a paltry \$100 million in gold bullion, equivalent to \$1.3 billion today.) In fact, BP, Chevron, ConocoPhillips, Eni, Equinor and Shell were granted exploration/exploitation licences for Northeast Greenland in 2013. In the early 2000s, Cairn Energy blew more than \$1 billion drilling dud wells in offshore Greenland.



Donald Trump is eying Greenland for its natural resources that are potentially worth trillions of dollars. But annexing it, as he claims he intends to do, would defy every rule of sovereignty known to the modern world

But the dalliance with the US didn't last. Four exploration licences are currently active in Greenland, none of them given to an American company: one field in the western Davis Strait is held by the UK's Panoecean Energy and the partly-Danish national oil company (NOC) Nunoil, and three more land-based fields are held by the UK-based Greenland Gas & Oil. These four blocks expire in 2027 and 2028. Greenland's goal is 100 percent dependence on clean energy by 2030.

That's five years from now. Trump will remit office, never to return, in four years' time, in January 2029. For him, time is running out. An act of imperialist regency, eight decades in the waiting, would be his legacy.

Barely 11 years ago, Brookings had wildly misread the winds by predicting that "because of the slowdown in investments in new mining activities, it is less certain that Greenland will be able to get major mining projects off the ground". Greenland didn't, because of its environmental concerns—the country currently has only two functioning mines—but, in the intervening decade, China manoeuvred itself into controlling 75 percent of the rare earth deposits in the world, according to the Ukrainian Geological Investment Group (GIG).

The GIG might hesitate about estimating Ukraine's reserves, but according to Kyiv, about 5 percent of the world's "critical raw materials" are in Ukraine. The World Economic Forum says only about 15 percent of Ukraine's 20,000 mineral deposits covering 116 sites were being mined when Russia attacked in 2022.

This is why Europe wants to defend Ukraine against Russia. It doesn't want the minerals to leave Europe. Ukraine is home to a third of the continent's lithium deposits. It also has about 19 million tonnes of graphite, used to make EV batteries.

Ukraine also has other critical minerals such as titanium sponge, uranium, and ilmenite. According to a 2023 study by Forbes Ukraine, the country's rare earth and other critical minerals could be worth as much as \$14.8 trillion.

Neither Greenland nor Ukraine is exploiting its reserves, for reasons ranging from war in Ukraine and climate-change concerns in Greenland, and nor are they immediately exploitable. But they exist, tauntingly easy pickings. The US wishes to secure resources for its continued growth in a global future it views as both fossil-fuelled and battery-driven. An act of warlike but not boots-on-the-ground neo-imperialist suzerainty over both countries is a small price to pay for a continuing economic status of first among equals.

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medical care rather than a practical resolution for a financial problem.

Second, financial regulations and processes need to allow for a lot more creative destruction as well as emergence of new kinds of financing. Today's regulations are so focused on so-called 'investor protection' that they do not allow for the risk-taking that generates cutting-edge innovation. By the same token, the bankruptcy process needs to focus on fast resolution rather than 'revival'. Regulators, bankruptcy courts and policy-makers need to accept that all risk-taking entails some amount of failure. The sensible approach is to clear the debris as soon as possible so that a new round of risk-taking can begin.

Third, there should be less protection for the established incumbents in most sectors. India's economic policies have, since the 1950s, been inordinately oriented towards protecting inefficient incumbents from global and domestic competition. This has been done through licences, permits, regulatory complexity, import tariffs, government contract requirements and other protection against competitors.

I can say from experience that industry associations rarely demand economic reforms and mostly demand protection. Since they represent incumbents, their goal is not global competitiveness or efficiency, but the building of a moat. Protection is sometimes needed for national security or for an infant industry, but this must be carefully calibrated. Any attempt to protect everything will effectively protect nothing.

Incidentally, the above argument for creative destruction also holds true for government where defunct agencies, laws and regulations need to be periodically removed. This is the focus of a systematic effort is being currently done in the central government under the banner of 'process reforms'. Hundreds of old laws and regulations have been removed, outdated agencies such as the Tariff Commission have been shut down, and default lists—such as those for national monuments—are being revisited.

To sum up, India needs to celebrate creative destruction in the economy. The central philosophical idea has existed in India for millenniums in the form of Shiva and Kali. We now need to incorporate it into our policy-making, and cultural attitudes towards risk-taking, failure and renewal.

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#### Fanning flames

Ref: *Not piecemeal deals, West Asia needs lasting solutions for peace* (Mar 20). Religious extremism runs deep in West Asia. As long as it does, the violence will continue. Western states must stop supplying arms to such conflict-ridden regions. Their weapons are fanning the flames of conflict.  
**Sankara Venkata Raman, Chennai**

#### Reduce plastic

Ref: *Scientific management of waste is lucrative* (Mar 20). Scientific waste management is crucial, but proactive steps need to be taken to minimise waste generation. Plastic packaging is the biggest villain. Promoting eco-friendly alternatives and adopting a 'return and refund' option for plastic packaging can help to some extent.  
**Nabnit Panigrahi, Rayagada**

#### City infrastructure

Ref: *Attaching strings: Centre to states & states to cities* (Mar 20). The column made for an interesting read. With poor infrastructure plaguing our cities, a third language would be of least concern to a common citizen. Our wish is to see the governments utilise our tax contributions more efficiently to improve our lives through better urban infrastructure.  
**Anand Hosmane, email**

#### Preventing dropouts

Ref: *Why punish students for systemic faults* (Mar 20). The curriculum should explicitly state the objectives for each class, and teachers should employ simple and effective teaching techniques so as to impart knowledge effectively. Both parents and teachers must take the responsibility to identify and address the factors contributing to student dropouts.  
**Avinashiappan Myilsami, Coimbatore**

#### Sunita's resilience

Ref: *Joy all around as Sunita's back home* (Mar 20). Sunita Williams deserves rich praise for displaying extraordinary courage and resilience during her 9-month-long stay at the International Space Station. Space research holds immense potential, and our youth can draw inspiration from Sunita to pursue careers in this field.  
**Govardhana Myneedu, Vijayawada**

#### Temple entry

Ref: *Non-Hindu believers should be given entry into temples, says Sivagiri Mutt chief* (Mar 20). Swami Sachidananda's demand that non-Hindus who revere Hindu gods be allowed to enter Hindu temples is reasonable. There should be no restriction as long as they adhere to the code of conduct. I feel this would be good for social and religious harmony.  
**SLakshmi, Hyderabad**

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● RS, LS adjourned on last day of budget session amid protests and warnings to DMK MPs over attire ● 25 sentenced to death in UAE

# Delimitation T-shirts trigger House uproar

**RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR** @ New Delhi

THE Rajya Sabha and Lok Sabha on Thursday faced frequent adjournments amid a row over DMK MPs entering the Houses wearing white T-shirts with slogans opposing the delimitation exercise.

Both the Houses failed to conduct any significant business and were adjourned for the day. Thursday was the first day of the second phase of the Budget session that passed without transacting any business, except for the laying of papers.

In the Rajya Sabha, which saw three adjournments over the issue of T-shirts, Chairman Jagdeep Dhankhar allowed the laying of papers and parlia-



DMK MPs protest during the Budget session of Parliament on Thursday | EXPRESS

mentary standing committee reports soon after the House convened. He then adjourned proceedings until 12 noon. Dhankhar later invited floor leaders of parties to discuss ways to resolve the impasse. "I would share with the members what I have seen in the House,"

he said but did not disclose what he had observed.

Although the chairman did not officially state the reason for the adjournment, he objected to DMK members wearing T-shirts displaying the slogan "Delimitation - Tamil Nadu will fight, Tamil Nadu will win". As the deadlock persisted, when the House reassembled at noon, Deputy Chairman Hariyansh announced another adjournment for 15 minutes. At 12.15 pm, amid continued disruption, he adjourned proceedings until 2 pm. When the House reconvened at 2 pm, he adjourned it for the day.

The Lok Sabha was also adjourned for the day as opposition members protested while wearing T-shirts. Krishna Prasad Tenneti, who was in the Chair, urged Opposition members to return in "proper shape". "We have a discussion on agriculture. You are not allowing the discussion to take place on such an important topic. I request you to cooperate

and let the proceedings go on," he appealed to the Opposition. However, amid continued protests, the House saw multiple adjournments.

Earlier, Speaker Om Birla objected to DMK members' attire, stating that wearing T-shirts with slogans violated the House's rules of procedure. He adjourned proceedings until noon. Similar scenes unfolded when the House reconvened at 12, prompting Tenneti to adjourn proceedings until 2 pm.

"House functions with rules and procedures. Members have to maintain the dignity and honour of the House. But some MPs are not following the rules and violating the dignity which is not acceptable," Birla said.

## 49 Indians on death row in 8 countries, House told

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE** @ New Delhi

THE government informed the Rajya Sabha on Thursday that 49 Indians are currently sentenced to death in eight different countries, awaiting the implementation of their sentences. The total number of Indian prisoners, including under-trials, in foreign prisons stands at 10,152.

The government said that 25 Indian nationals have been sentenced to death in the UAE, though the judgment has yet to be carried out. Minister of State for External Affairs Kirti Vardhan Singh provided this information in response to a query in the Rajya Sabha.

The MEA was asked about the number of Indians who have been languishing in foreign prisons for years and details of Indians awaiting capital punishment abroad, and the steps taken

by the Indian government to secure their release.

"In accordance with the information available with the Ministry, the number of Indian prisoners, including under-trials, in foreign prisons currently stands at 10,152," the minister said. The minister said that the government places a high priority on the safety, security, and well-being of Indian nationals abroad, including those imprisoned in foreign jails. Singh presented tabulated data from eight countries detailing the number of Indian nationals who have been sentenced to death, but whose judgments have yet to be carried out.

According to the data, the figures are as follows: 25 in the UAE, 11 in Saudi Arabia, six in Malaysia, three in Kuwait, and one each in Indonesia, Qatar, the US, and Yemen.

## Slogan raises constitutional issue, no undermining of Parliament: DMK MP

**PREETHA NAIR** @ New Delhi

THE slogan "fair delimitation to Tamil Nadu" is one of the requirements under the Constitution and it doesn't undermine the decorum of Parliament, says Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (DMK) Rajya Sabha MP P Wilson.

On Thursday, the presiding officers of the Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha adjourned both Houses over DMK MPs wearing T-shirts with slogans on the issue of delimitation. Speaking to this newspaper, Wilson said that they adopted the mode of protest as the Centre has been neglecting their demand of clarity on the issue of delimitation, which will be detrimental for Southern states if implemented on the basis of population.

"We have been sub-

mitting 6-7 notices on a daily basis in the House for discussion on delimitation. However, the government is not paying heed. Our demand is that Prime Minister Modi or Union Home Minister Amit Shah should come to Parliament and make a statement on Delimitation and clarify the government stand," he said.

The T-shirt protest was not a pressure tactic, said the Rajya Sabha MP adding that they wanted to bring to the attention of the House about the grave consequences of the impending delimitation exercise. Countering Home Minister's assurance that Southern states will not lose seats as the delimitation exercise will be conducted on pro rata basis, Wilson said that the minister has to clear the air on the formula of pro rata basis.

"Not only Southern states, many other states will also be affected and their numbers will be reduced in the Lok Sabha. We will lose our bargaining power," he said.

The Union government had suspended delimitation in 1976 with the 42nd Amendment to the Constitution, which froze the number of Lok Sabha seats until the 2001 census so that states' family planning programs would not affect their political representation in the Lok Sabha, he pointed out.

In 2002, the 84th Amendment was passed, which froze the number of the Lok Sabha seats and postponed delimitation 'until the first Census after 2026, he said, asserting that the 1971 census should be kept as the base for delimitation. "Even after 50 years, population stabilisation has not taken place," he added.

## POWER CORRIDOR

### HOUSE APPRISED OF UP-BIHAR ROAD PROJECT

The two stretches of the Ram Janki Marg project will be completed in Bihar and Uttar Pradesh by May and December 2027, respectively, Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari informed the Lok Sabha on Thursday, saying the project is at various stages of completion. "Land acquisition has been completed in all the districts in Uttar Pradesh... In Bihar, an award for land acquisition has been completed for a stretch from Mehrauna Ghat to Masrakh," he said. The Ram Janki Marg project connects Ayodhya in UP with Bithamore in Sitamarhi district in Bihar near the Nepal border, aiming to improve regional connectivity and boost religious tourism, local business, agriculture, travel, trade, enhance employment and investment opportunities, and strengthen India-Nepal cultural ties.

### '12.55L REFUNDS FOR FAULTY TOLLS ON NH IN 2024'

The government on Thursday said 12.55 lakh refunds were made in 2024 for faulty toll collections on National Highways. In a written reply to the Lok Sabha, Union road transport minister Nitin Gadkari said penalties of more than ₹2 crore have been levied so far on the user fee collecting agencies for incorrect user fee deduction cases. He also said if toll agencies are found responsible for incorrect user fee deduction, a 30-50x penalty on excess user fee will be imposed on the fee collecting agency. Responding to a separate question, Gadkari said state-owned NHAI is also considering the installation of audit cameras at high-value toll plazas to independently monitor the accurate count and classify vehicles using Artificial Intelligence.



MPs during the Budget session of Parliament in New Delhi on Thursday | PTI

### 99.78% EXISTING LAND RECORDS DIGITISED: GOVT

Almost all existing land records in rural areas have been digitized under Digital India Land Records Modernisation Programme (DILRMP) launched in 2016. Responding to questions on the subject, MoS for Housing and Urban Affairs Tokhan Sahu on Thursday said, "As of now, 99.78% digitization of existing land records (Record of Rights) have been completed. Some areas of northeastern states do not have land records like other states due to community ownership issues and the UT of Ladakh has started digitization in last couple of years. So far, rural areas have been mainly covered under DILRMP," the minister said, adding, under the programme, a computerised registration system is being facilitated so that the formalities can be conducted online.

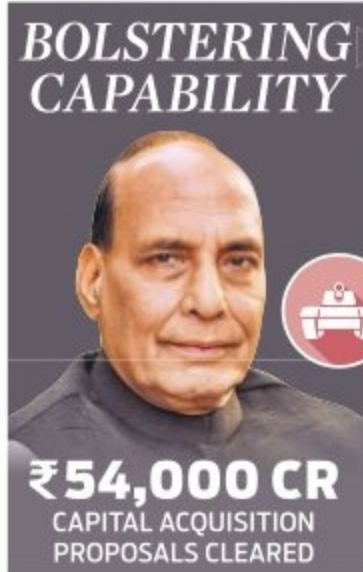
## Nod for ₹54K cr defence acquisition

**MAYANK SINGH** @ New Delhi

IN a move to enhance the capability of the armed forces, the Defence Acquisition Council (DAC) on Thursday approved acquisition of a plethora of military hardware worth more than ₹54,000 crore, including airborne early-warning and control-aircraft systems, torpedoes and engines for T-90 tanks. The DAC also approved guidelines for reducing the timelines at various stages of the capital acquisition process to make it "faster, more effective and efficient," the defence ministry.

The decision on a "more effective" procurement process was in line with the ministry's initiative to celebrate 2025 as the 'Year of Reforms'. The approval to the procurement proposals was accorded by the DAC chaired by Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, it said.

"The DAC accorded acceptances of necessity (AoNs) or initial approvals to eight capi-



- For the Indian Army, procurement of **1,350 House Power** Engine accorded for T-90 Tanks
- Contract with Russia's Rosoboronexport (RoE) to procure **1,000 HP** engines for T-72 Tanks
- For the Indian Navy, AoN for procurement of Varunastra Torpedoes (Combat) accorded
- For the Indian Air Force, AoN for procurement of Airborne Early Warning & Control (AEW&C) Aircraft Systems gets nod
- 12 AEW&Cs will be procured under two different projects

tal acquisition proposals amounting to more than ₹54,000 crore," it said.

"For the Indian Air Force, an approval for the procurement of Airborne Early Warning and Control (AEW&C) Aircraft Systems was accorded by the DAC," the ministry said.

AEW&C systems are capabil-

ity enhancers, which can change the complete spectrum of warfare and exponentially increase the combat potential of various weapon systems.

The ministry said the DAC also cleared a proposal to procure 1,350-HP engines to upgrade the T-90 battle tanks. "This will enhance the battle-

field mobility of these tanks, especially in high-altitude areas, by increasing the power to weight ratio," it said in a statement. "For the Indian Army, AoN for procurement of 1,350 HP Engine was accorded to upgrade the present 1,000 HP Engine for the T-90 tanks," the ministry said.

The DAC also cleared another proposal for the procurement of the Varunastra torpedo for the Indian Navy. "For the Indian Navy, AoN for procurement of Varunastra torpedoes (combat) was accorded by DAC," the ministry said.

The Varunastra torpedo is an indigenously developed ship-launched anti-submarine torpedo developed by the Naval Science and Technological Laboratory.

"The induction of additional quantities of this torpedo would enhance the Navy's capability against adversaries' submarine threats," the ministry said.

## India-NZ bilateral relations focus on defence, PM Luxon visits INS Surat

**MAYANK SINGH** @ New Delhi

PRIME Minister of New Zealand Christopher Luxon, along with Rear Admiral Garin Golding, Chief of Navy, Royal New Zealand Navy, visited the latest indigenously built destroyer of the Indian Navy, INS Surat, at Naval Dockyard, Mumbai, on Thursday. The Indian Navy said, "The dignitaries were given an in-depth briefing on the warship's intricate design and formidable capabilities, offering a glimpse into its critical role in bolstering national maritime security."

INS Surat, commissioned this January, is the latest indigenous guided missile destroyer of the Indian Navy. Built by Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders, Mumbai and designed by the Indian Navy's Warship Design Bureau, the ship is a shining example of Atma Nirbhar Bharat (self-reliant India)



boasts an indigenous content of over 75%, the Navy said.

The Prime Minister's visit coincides with the Royal New Zealand Navy Ship HMNZS Te Kaha's visit to Mumbai from March 20 to 24. In addition, Commodore Rodger Ward, Commander of Combined Task Force 150, is also visiting the Western Naval Command. These visits mark a significant step towards furthering the relationship between the RNZN

and the Indian Navy.

The New Zealand Navy currently commands the CTF 150, one of five task forces operated by Combined Maritime Forces. It conducts maritime security operations outside the Arabian Gulf to ensure that legitimate commercial shipping can transit the region free from non-state threats. As a part of the ship visit, the CN-RNZN called on Admiral Sanjay J Singh, Flag Officer Commanding-in-Chief, WNC, and discussed strategic naval engagements, which was followed by a briefing on the command's role.

At the Naval Dockyard, he discussed technical support for HMNZS Te Kaha's upcoming visit with the Admiral Superintendent of the Dockyard. The Admiral also laid a wreath at the Gaurav Stambh at ND Mumbai and paid homage to personnel who made supreme sacrifices in the nation's service.

## Acid attack survivors can move legal services authority for comp delay: SC

**SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY**  
@ New Delhi

THE top court on Thursday said acid attack survivors should approach their respective state legal services authority (SLSA) if the compensation they are entitled to is delayed, while also asserting that survivors should not refrain from getting admitted to private hospitals of their preference.

The order came while hearing a PIL by an NGO seeking strict implementation of the apex court directions in Laxmi v. Union of India in 2014.

A two-judge bench of the top court, comprising CJI Sanjay Khanna and Justice Sanjay Kumar took note of the petitioner's submissions that acid attack survivors were finding it difficult to receive compensation from Maharashtra authorities. The plea also alleged that the private hospitals refused to

### ALSO IN TOP COURT

#### 'Consent immaterial if survivor is minor'

A lawyer on Thursday was reprimanded by the court for repeatedly using 'consensual relationship' in a bail plea of his client, accused of rape of a minor girl. "We got sick after reading the petition. You have written 'consensual relationship' at least 20 times. Setting the facts straight, the bench said consent was trivial if survivor was a minor."



#### Collegium appoints 8 judges to Guj HC

The Supreme Court collegium headed by Chief Justice Sanjay Khanna has approved the proposal to appoint eight judicial officers as judges of the Gujarat High Court, a statement uploaded on the apex court website said. The collegium, also comprising Justice B R Gavai and Justice Surya Kant, held a meeting on March 19.

admit survivors, often seeking advance payment despite the SC directive mandating free treatment to survivors at all public and private facilities.

Noting that the Centre and 11 States had not filed their replies to the plea, the top court

granted them four weeks.

"Victims at liberty to approach the SLSA in case of delay in payment of compensation," the bench said, adding that delay in disbursement and contempt of SC directives by private hospitals should be brought to its notice.

## Hasina kin alleges targeted attack on former PM

**JAYANTH JACOB** @ New Delhi

BRITISH Labour politician and former minister Tulip Siddiq, the niece of Sheikh Hasina, has accused Bangladeshi authorities of launching a "targeted and baseless" campaign against her and urged an immediate end to the "damaging allegations."

Siddiq's legal representatives have called for an immediate halt to a series of "false and damaging" allegations made against the British Member of Parliament regarding financial irregularities linked to the Rooppur Nuclear Power Plant, which was built with Russian help.

In a letter to Bangladesh's Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC), Siddiq's lawyers from Stephenson Harwood reiterated her position that she had no involvement in the nuclear plant deal despite being photographed at a signing ceremony in the Kremlin in 2013 alongside then-Bangladesh



prime minister Sheikh Hasina and Russian President Vladimir Putin.

The letter said: "It is not uncommon for family members to be invited to accompany Heads of State on state visits."

The lawyers also dismissed claims that a £700,000 flat in London's King's Cross, gifted to Siddiq in 2004, was linked to embezzlement, calling the allegations "absurd" as the flat was acquired 10 years before the nuclear deal.



Siddiq's father was a university professor in Dhaka, and her mother was granted political asylum in the UK as the younger sister of Sheikh Hasina. In January, Siddiq resigned from her role as economic secretary to the treasury, responsible for addressing corruption in the UK's financial market.

Meanwhile, ACC chairman Mohammad Abdul Momen told the BBC the allegations "are by no means targeted and baseless, and its investigation was

based on documentary evidence of corruption." "I would welcome Siddiq to come and defend her case with the best possible legal support accompanying her," he said.

The controversy began when the Chief Adviser of Bangladesh made public comments to a British television journalist, suggesting that Siddiq may have been involved in embezzlement tied to the Rooppur plant and hinted at the possibility of her being summoned to Bangladesh for questioning.

The comments also referred to the Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) "taking the matter very seriously" and implied investigating Siddiq's substantial remaining wealth in Bangladesh.

"Siddiq has no wealth left behind in Bangladesh, and no evidence has been provided to support any of the allegations. The claims made by the Chief Adviser are false and designed to create unwarranted publicity," her legal representatives said.



# Barricades dismantled as traffic on two Haryana borders resumes

Farm leader Dallewal shifted to Jalandhar under tight security, Punjab clears roads on its side

HARPREET BAIWA @ Chandigarh

THE arrest of farmer leaders and eviction of protesting farmers from the Shambhu and Khanauri borders since Wednesday highlight Punjab's rural and urban divide over the issue.

The leaders' detention triggered protests in Tarn Taran and Gurdaspur, while farmers staged a statewide protest. In Faridkot, police prevented farmers from blocking National Highway-15. Over 200 farmers were detained and transported to undisclosed locations in buses. The Dirba police detained about 50 farmers from BKU (Sidhupur) protesting on the Sangrur-Patran road. Protesters were dispersed in Gurdaspur, Bathinda and Abohar.

BKU leader Rakesh Tikait said if farmers are not united, governments will quell farmers' protests and facilitate corporates. Satnam Singh Pannu, president of the Kisan Mazdoor Sangharsh Committee, said the police action showed that instead of "badlaav," Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann was doing "badle ki rajniti."

In contrast, the urban population, mainly traders, industrialists, and commuters, largely hailed the move. Industrialists



Concrete barricades being removed after the eviction of agitating farmers from the Shambhu border, in Patiala district on Thursday | PTI

said the highway's opening will boost the state's economy and tourism. They bemoan that the year-long blockade caused irreparable loss to trade and industry and left thousands of commuters stranded.

Badish Jindal, President of the World MSME Forum, said that the state was incurring ₹1,500 crore monthly, and the business decreased by 15 to 20 percent. He said the state suffered losses worth ₹10,000 crore since 2019.

Narinder Singh Bhamra, President of the Fastener Manufacturers Association of India, said the blockades also created problems for the general

public besides losses to the state industry.

Sources claimed the police action followed after traders in Ludhiana told AAP national convener Arvind Kejriwal that it would be difficult for AAP to get votes in the Ludhiana West Assembly byelection if the farmers' protest did not end.

Punjab Finance Minister Harpal Singh Cheema, facing criticism from certain quarters over the police crackdown, said, "We want to tell the farmers that we stand by them. Their demands concern the Centre. You (farmers) hold any protest against the Centre, and we are with you. But do not de-

stroy Punjab and do not shut the state's highways."

He also acknowledged the industry's lament: "Punjab's trade has been hit hard because of the closure of the two key highways at Shambhu and Khanauri border points for more than a year."

Meanwhile, Farmer leader Jagjit Singh Dallewal, detained Wednesday evening, was shifted to a PWSO guest house in the high-security Jalandhar Cantonment area on Thursday morning. Haryana Police started dismantling cemented barricades erected last year to prevent farmers from Punjab from heading towards the national capital as part of their 'Delhi Chalo' programme. By evening, one-way traffic resumed at both border points.

The Shambhu border was deserted after Wednesday night's police operation cleared the protest site. JCB machines resumed operations to dismantle the remaining temporary structures and clear the Shmbhu-Ambala highway. Many farmers detained from Khanauri on Wednesday night were taken to a marriage hall in Patran. The arrested farmer leaders from Mohali and Shambhu border were shifted to Patiala central jail.

# Shah likely to visit Bihar on March 29 to firm up poll plan

RAMASHANKAR @ Patna

HOME minister Amit Shah is likely to visit Bihar on March 29 to discuss the strategy for the state assembly elections due in October-November this year. Shah is expected to hold a meeting with senior leaders of BJP at the party's state headquarters the same day.

Confirming Shah's proposed visit, Bihar BJP president Dilip Kumar Jaiswal said that Shah will reach Patna on March 29 evening and meet senior party leaders the same evening.

The next day, he will participate in a meeting of the cooperative ministry and then leave for Gopalganj, where he is expected to address a public meeting. This is the first visit of Shah after expansion of Nitish Kumar cabinet.

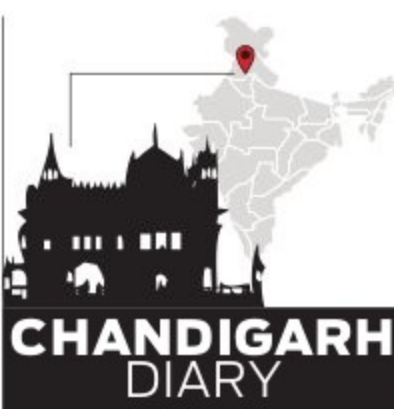
The home minister is expected to discuss joint election campaign for the NDA candidates in all the 243 assembly constituencies in the assembly polls. Shah's possible visit has, however, heated up state's political temperature. In 2024 Lok Sabha election, alliance partners had campaigned for NDA candidates. The same strategy was followed in the Assembly elections in Delhi, which paved the way for return of the BJP in



power in the national capital after a gap of three decades. "Star campaigners will campaign for all NDA candidates irrespective of their parties," said a senior BJP leader who is a member of the BJP state core committee.

He, however, said that the list of star campaigners will be finalised by the central leadership of the party. Before the union home minister's visit, railway minister Ashwin Vaishnav is expected to visit the state on March 25.

Vaishnav will participate at an official function of the railways in Saharsa. Prime Minister Narendra Modi is also expected to visit Bihar in April. The date of PM's visit is yet to be finalised by the PMO. The visit of top leaders of the party has heated up the state's political temperature.



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## Prez's request before attending convocation

President Droupadi Murmu set an example of humility as she recently attended two convocation ceremonies in Punjab — one at the Central University of Punjab (CUP) and the other at the All India Institute of Medical Sciences in Bhatinda. The President's secretariat had asked both institutions that the chair designated for the President must not be more grandiose than the other dignitaries on the stage and during the scheduled group photograph with students. Also, a sign language interpreter was engaged to sensitise institutions and students on differently-abled persons, an official said.



## Khattar meets former Cabinet colleague on Holi

On eve of Holi, Union minister Manohar Lal Khattar and Haryana cabinet minister Anil Vij surprised everyone as they met each other at Ambala cantonment and praised each others work. The meeting comes after Vij was served a show cause notice for his comments against CM Nayab Singh Saini and Haryana BJP chief Mohan Lal Badoli. Clarifying his stand, Vij had said, despite occasional differences over certain issues, he had no personal grudge against the leaders. Khattar, however, greeted Vij as one of his oldest friends, terming Vij's assembly segment a saffron party stronghold.

## Infighting in Punjab Cong once again out in open

Days after state Congress in-charge Bhupesh Baghel directed the Punjab leadership to raise issues against each other on the party platform, the cold war between Bholath MLA Sukhpal Singh Khaira and Kapurthala MLA Rana Gurjeet Singh, who have been on loggerheads for many years, once again erupted. When Rana announced he would purchase maize from farmers for two years at MSP, Khaira took to X saying Rana was propagating private purchase of maize for his ethanol plants. Earlier, Rana had supported the BJP government's proposal to implement private marketing of crops as part of the three now-junked farm laws in 2021.

## Bulldozers used against Gujarat bootleggers

DILIP SINGH KSHATRIYA @ Ahmedabad

DESPITE the Supreme Court guidelines requiring local administrations to issue notices before demolishing encroachments, Gujarat authorities have taken a more direct approach to address rising lawlessness. Police have compiled lists of antisocial elements and bootleggers whose illegal properties are now being targeted for demolition.

After videos of public violence, vandalism, and intimidation went viral, the government announced a major crackdown on criminal elements. Police have prepared a list of 7,612 offenders, including 3,264 bootleggers, 516 gamblers, and 2,149 individuals accused of harassing women in public.

Authorities have begun inspecting the individuals' properties to identify illegal constructions. Bulldozer operations commenced in Ahmedabad and other districts against unlawful properties owned by those engaged in criminal activities. The state police chief also called an important meeting where significant decisions are expected.

## After Disha Salian's father seeks FIR, Maha demand against Aaditya intensifies

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

MEMBERS of the ruling MahaYuti on Thursday raised the Disha Salian death controversy in both houses of Maharashtra legislature, a day after her father Satish Salian approached the Bombay High Court seeking a CBI probe and registration of an FIR against Shiv Sena (UBT) MLA Aaditya Thackeray and others.

Disha, former manager of late actor Sushant Singh Rajput, died on June 8, 2020, after falling from the 14th floor of a high-rise in suburban Malad. Police then registered an accidental death report case.

Shiv Sena (UBT) Uddhav Thackeray said the CID probe found no foul play but the BJP is targeting and defaming his family members. "Aaditya has not done anything wrong so why should he be afraid? We are open for any probe. BJP leaders' fingers got burned in Nagpur violence, therefore the Disha Salian matter has been deliberately raked," Uddhav said. Aaditya said the matter is sub judice, so he won't comment.

Shouting slogans, MahaYuti



MLAs entered the well of the House, demanding a probe into the death. Minister of state for home Yogesh Kadam said the SIT probe was still going on, and Salian's father has made the state government a party to his petition.

"We will act as per the court orders. Those who are guilty, no matter how powerful they are, will not be spared," he said.

Satish's plea claimed that on June 8, Disha organised a party at her home that was attended by Aaditya, actors Sooraj Pancholi and Dino Morea, among others. Citing eyewitness accounts, he claimed in the plea that Disha was "gang-raped, forcibly restrained and subjected to brutal sexual assault."

## Main accused among six booked for sedition, curfew lifted in Nagpur

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

THREE days after the mob-related violence over Aurangzeb's tomb, curfew was lifted in some parts of Nagpur city and relaxed in a few others on Thursday. The cyber police booked six persons, including the mastermind of this violence, Fahim Khan, on charges of sedition and spreading misinformation on social media during the unrest here.

Cyber DCP Lohit Matani said the accused edited and circulated the video of the protest against Aurangzeb, which caused the riots to spread.

Considering the inconvenience to citizens and the improvement in the law and order situation, Commissioner of Police Ravinder Singal ordered lifting the curfew from Nandanvan and Kapil Nagar police station areas from 2 pm on Thursday.

Singal also ordered the curfew in Lakadganj, Pachpaoli, Shantinagar, Sakkardara, and Imambada areas to be relaxed from 2 pm to 4 pm to allow people to venture out to buy essential items of daily need.

The Nagpur police said the mobs turned violent after



Security personnel deployed at Hanspuri area in Nagpur on Thursday | PTI

clashes between two groups. Their rampage in central Nagpur was fuelled by rumours that a 'chadar' with holy inscriptions was burnt during protests led by VHP and Bajrang Dal for the removal of Mughal emperor Aurangzeb's tomb.

Curfew was imposed in Kotwali, Ganeshpeth, Tehsil, Lakadganj, Pachpaoli, Shanti Nagar, Sakkardara, Nandanvan, Imambada, Yashodhara Nagar and Kapil Nagar police station areas.

The probe has so far indicated that misinformation was spread initially after some vid-

eos were shared on social media, which fuelled the violence; more videos subsequently "glorified" the violence.

The state cyber crime department has asked Facebook, X, Instagram, and YouTube authorities for information about 230 profiles on their platforms and block them.

Meanwhile, the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) has put up tin sheets on two sides of the 18th-century structure encasing the tomb in Khuldaabad amid right-wing organisations demanding its removal. A circular fence will also be installed around the tomb.

## Once neighbours, sparrows now face extinction

NARENDRA SETHI @ Dehradun

THE sparrow has become a rare sight in today's urban sprawl, leaving many children unfamiliar with this charming companion. As deforestation, noise pollution, and urbanisation take their toll, these birds are retreating to rural areas.

"The absence of sparrows in our cities is alarming for bird enthusiasts. Their cheerful chirping in rural settings offers a comforting reminder of nature's harmony," says Dr Raman Kumar, an ornithologist.

On the occasion of World Sparrow Day on March 20, experts highlight the challenges faced by sparrows in urban environments, from finding suitable nesting sites to accessing food. "Sparrows used to nest in crevices and thatched roofs, but now homes are made of concrete, leaving them with fewer options," Raman Kumar says.

According to forest department sources, sparrow populations in urban areas have plummeted by nearly 40 per cent. In contrast, the situation in rural areas remains relatively stable. Chief Conservator of Forests



Manoj Chandran said, "The biggest crisis facing sparrows is the lack of food and habitat. The use of chemicals in food items like wheat and other grains is detrimental to them. If we pay attention to a few key factors, we can improve the situation for these birds."

Chandran emphasised the importance of maintaining greenery in homes and cautioned against constructing entirely concrete houses. "By ensuring that our living spaces incorporate some greenery, we can cre-

ate a more hospitable environment for sparrows," he added.

Ornithologist Ajay Sharma said, "In the past, wheat was spread out while cleaning at home, and lentils were also cleaned. The grains would scatter, providing food for the birds. This practice has diminished significantly, leading to an increased food crisis for them."

Sharma added, "The small sparrow cannot eat larger grains; it relies on tiny insects, which have also decreased in number."

## 5 get one-year jail term for burning leopard in cage

NARENDRA SETHI @ Dehradun

THE Chief Judicial Magistrate's Court in Pauri, Uttarakhand, has sentenced five villagers, including former village head, to one year of imprisonment for setting a captive leopard ablaze.

According to reports, on May 24, 2022, an enraged mob set a captive leopard on fire in Saplodi. A case was registered at the Kotwali police station in Pauri based on a complaint from a forest officer, naming five people including the then village head. The charges included violations of the Wildlife Protection Act and obstruction of public servants in their duties.

The region, encompassing villages like Bhatti, Sarna, Kulmori, and Saplodi, had been plagued by fear due to frequent leopard sightings in 2022. These leopards instilled significant terror in the area.

## Grabbing minor's breasts not enough to charge accused with rape bid: HC

NAMITA BAIJAI @ Lucknow

THE Allahabad High Court refused to acknowledge grabbing the breasts of a minor girl along with breaking her pyjama strings, and trying to drag her beneath the culvert, an enough act to charge an accused with the offence of rape, or an attempt to rape.

A single judge bench of the court observed it was an act of "aggravated sexual assault". With the above observation, the high court in its March 17 order, modified a summon order, altering the charges against the two accused.

According to the prosecution, Pawan and Akash, grabbed the breasts of the 11-year-old victim and Akash broke the string of her pyjama and tried to drag her beneath the culvert. However, as witnesses intervened, accused fled the spot.

Initially, the accused were summoned to face trial under section 376 (rape) and under the POCO Act. However, the high court later directed the accused be tried under section 354(B)



IPC (assault or use of criminal force with intent to disrobe) read with the POCO Act (aggravated sexual assault).

"The allegations leveled against accused Pawan and Akash and the facts of the case hardly constitute an offence of attempt to rape in the case. In order to bring out a charge of attempt to rape, the prosecution must establish that it had gone beyond the stage of preparation. The difference between preparation and actual attempt to commit an offence consists chiefly in the greater degree of determination," the bench of Justice Ram Manohar Narayan Mishra observed.

The judge said that it partly allowed the criminal revision plea filed by the three accused.

Finding it to be a case of attempt to rape or attempt to commit penetrative sexual assault within the purview of the POCO Act, the trial court invoked Section 376 (rape) with Section 18 (attempt to commit an offence) of the POCO Act and issued summoning order under these sections.

Challenging the summoning order issued by the trial court, the accused moved the HC, wherein it was primarily argued that no offence under Section 376 (rape) of IPC was committed even if the complaint version was taken on its face value and that the case did not go beyond the extent of Sections 354, 354(b) IPC, and relevant provisions of the POCO Act.

On the other hand, the counsel for respondents submitted that at the stage of framing the charges, the trial court was not supposed to sift and weigh the evidence and material collected during the investigation.



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No.11 S&T-SA Date: 20.03.2025

**TENDER NOTIFICATION**

Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Limited (BMRCL) invites eTenders, on CPP Portal (<https://etenders.gov.in/>) in Single Stage-Two Envelope system, from eligible, qualified, reputed and experienced Tenderers for **"Independent Safety Assessment Services for Signalling & Train Control System for Reach-6, Phase-2A and Phase-2B and Platform Screen Door/Gates systems of Reach-5, Reach-6, Phase-2A and Phase-2B of Phase-II"**. e-Tender is available for download from 20.03.2025 until 15.00 Hrs. (IST) of 13.05.2025. Submission of e-Tender is From 08.05.2025 at 10.00 Hrs. (IST) to 13.05.2025 at 15.00 Hrs. (IST). Opening of e-Tender is on 14.05.2025 at 15.30 Hrs. (IST). For participation please visit e-Procurement Portal: <https://etenders.gov.in/>. For further details, please visit <https://tenderb.bmrcl.co.in> from 20.03.2025

Sd/- Managing Director, BMRCL

**BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE**  
Office of the Executive Engineer, Project South,  
South Zone Office Complex, 9th Main, 9th Cross,  
Jayanagara 2nd Block, Bengaluru - 560011.

No: EEP(S)/kppp/e-Portal/19/2024-25 Date: 20-03-2025

**INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT)**  
(Two Cover System) (Through GOK KPP Portal only)

The Executive Engineer, Project South, BBMP, Bengaluru invites tenders from eligible Tenderers for the Construction of work detailed below.

| Sl. No. | Name of the Work                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|---------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1       | Additional Works to Dharmashala Building at SDCTRC and Rajiv Gandhi Institute of Chest Diseases in Ward No. 153. Estimated Amount (Rs. in Lakhs): 350.00, EMD Amount (Rs. in Lakhs): 5.25 (Rs. 1.00 Lakh through e-Portal and Rs. 4.25 Lakhs through Bank Guarantee). |

**Calendar of Events:** 1) Tender documents may be downloaded from the GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Website: <https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in> 2) Pre Bid Meeting will be held on 24-03-2025 at 4.00 PM in the Office of the Executive Engineer (Project South). 3) Last Date and Time for Receipt of Tenders: 28-03-2025 upto 4.00 PM. 4) Date of Opening of Technical Bid: 29-03-2025 at 4.30 PM. 5) Date of Opening of Financial Bid: 01-04-2025 at 4.00 PM or After Technical Bid Approval. Further details can be had from the above office.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Project South, BBMP.

**KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LTD**  
(CIN:U40109KA1998SGC025521)

**TENDER NOTIFICATION**  
(Through KPP Portal only)

KPTCL invites bid against for the following works on total turnkey basis.

**1) No.SEE/Tr(Op)/South-Circle/EE(O)/AEE-4/24-25/9638-40, Date: 18.03.2025**

**Bid Enquiry No:** KPTCL/SEE/Tr(Op)/BMAZ(S)/EE(O)/AEE-4/ 2024-25/EPR-81 Dt:18.01.2025 for the work of "Design, Manufacture, Testing and Supply of C-Type Wedge Connectors suitable for different sizes required for replacement of age old, bolted type connectors at various sub-stations coming under Subramanyapura Division of Tr (Operation) Circle South, Bengaluru", Conforming to our Technical Specifications. F.O.R.D at Store/Site basis, including insurance and transportation TTK on Percentage tender basis.

**2) No.SEE/Tr(Op)/South-Circle/EE(O)/AEE-4/F-122 (33)/24-25/9700-02, Date: 20.03.2025.**

**Bid Enquiry No:** KPTCL/SEE/Tr(M)/BMAZ(S)/EE(O)/AEE-4/EPR-09/Call-5/Dtd: 28.08.2024 for the work of Dismantling, Transportation (to & fro), Repair, Testing, Erection and Commissioning of sick Power Transformer of rating 20MVA 66/11KV Andrew Yule make, SI No:13018, Year of Manufacturing 2001, Lying at 66/11KV B Sub-Station.

**3) No.SEE/Tr(Op)/South-Circle/EE(O)/AEE-4/F-122(28)/24-25/9688-90, Date: 20.03.2025.**

**Bid Enquiry No:** KPTCL/SEE/Tr(M)/BMAZ(S)/EE(O)/AEE-4/23-24/EPR-02/CALL-10 Dtd: 03.10.2023 for the work of Dismantling, Transportation (to and fro), Repair, Testing, Erection and commissioning of sick Power Transformer of rating 31.5 MVA, 66/11KV, BBL make, SI. No.4934/1, year of manufacture 2006 Lying at 66/11KV Jayadeva Sub-station.

**4) No.SEE/Tr(Op)/South-Circle/EE(O)/AEE-4/F-122(30)/24-25/9694-96, Date: 20.03.2025.**

**Bid Enquiry No:** KPTCL/SEE/Tr(M)/BMAZ(S)/EE(O)/AEE-4/23-24/EPR-04/CALL-10 Dtd: 03.10.2023 for the work of Dismantling, Transportation (to and fro), Repair, Testing, Erection and commissioning of sick Power Transformer of rating 20 MVA, 66/11KV, NGEF make, SI. No.2800060083, year of manufacture 2001 Lying at 66/11KV Leela Venture Sub-station.

**5) No.SEE/Tr(Op)/South-Circle/EE(O)/AEE-4/F-122(27)/24-25/9691-93, Date: 20.03.2025.**

**Bid Enquiry No:** KPTCL/SEE/Tr(M)/BMAZ(S)/EE(O)/AEE-4/22-23/EPR-44/CALL-10 Dtd: 21.10.2022 for the work of Dismantling, Transportation (to and fro), Repair, Testing, Erection and commissioning of sick Power Transformer of rating 31.5 MVA, 66/11KV, Victory make, SI. No.4-0012/5 year of manufacture 2009 Lying at 66/11KV Prestige Shanthiniketan Sub-station.

**6) No.SEE/Tr(Op)/South-Circle/EE(O)/AEE-4/F-122(29)/24-25/9697-99, Date: 20.03.2025.**

**Bid Enquiry No:** KPTCL/SEE/Tr(M)/BMAZ(S)/EE(O)/AEE-4/23-24/EPR-03/CALL-10 Dtd:03.10.2023 for the work of Dismantling, Transportation (to and fro), Repair, Testing, Erection and commissioning of sick Power Transformer of rating 31.5 MVA, 66/11KV, BBL make, SI. No.4934/7, year of manufacture 2006 Lying at 66/11KV Sarakkil Sub-station.

**7) No.SEE/Tr(Op)/South-Circle/EE(O)/AEE-4/F-122(32)/24-25/9703-05, Date: 20.03.2025.**

**Bid Enquiry No:** KPTCL/SEE/Tr(M)/BMAZ(S)/EE(O)/AEE-4/23-24/EPR-11/CALL-10 Dtd:18.10.2023 for the work of Dismantling, Transportation (to and fro), Repair, Testing, Erection and commissioning of sick Power Transformer of rating 20 MVA, 66/11KV, EMCO make, SI. No.HT1711-127097, year of manufacture 2007 Lying at 66/11KV Electronic City Phase-2 Sec-2 (Malgudi) Sub-station pertaining to HSR Layout TL&SS Division.

The Bids will be received through KPP mode only. The detailed notification regarding the subject tenders can be got by logging on to <https://www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in> on or after 21.03.2025. Other details can be obtained from the office of the undersigned.

Sd/- Superintending Engineer, Electl., Transmission (Operations) Circle-South, KPTCL, A.R. Circle, Bengaluru-09.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

I, SHIVAJYOTHI, W/o Late E Chandran, Aged about 59 years, R/at No.26, Unity Lane, Ejipura, Bengaluru - 560047, Represented by his G.P.A. Holder, SRI.SANTHOSH.M, S/o R. Muniraju, Aged about 36 years, R/a no.18, 2nd Cross, MTS layout, Hoysala Circle, Kengeri upanagara, Bengaluru, has lost the original document i.e., Sale deed dt.26/10/1988 vide document no.8975-1988-89 in respect of the property bearing Site No.2, Khata No.965, formed in Sy.No.37/11, converted vide order no.ALN.SR(S) 1994/75-76, measuring to an extent of East to West 30 feet, North to South 60 feet totally measuring to an extent 1800 feet, consisting of one ACC sheet house and borewell, situated at Valgehalli Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk. If any person/s or institution found the above said document hand over to the below stated address, thereafter if any claim raised shall not be entertained.

SRI.SANTHOSH.M, S/o R. Muniraju, Aged about 36 years, R/a no.18, 2nd Cross, MTS layout, Hoysala Circle, Kengeri Upanagara, Bengaluru.

**GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER, RURAL WORKS CIRCLE BALASORE**  
No.- 810 / WE, Dt.-19/03/2025  
e-procurement Notice

**0-1642**

1. Name of the Work:- "Building Works."  
2. Estimated Cost:- As per Annexure.  
3. Time for completion:- As per Annexure  
4. No of Work:- As per Annexure  
5. Summary for key dates is provided below:-

| Procurement Officer                                      | Bid Identification No.    | Availability of Tender online for bidding |                            | Last Date & Time of seeking Tender Clarification | Date & Time of opening of tender |                         |
|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|
|                                                          |                           | From                                      | To                         |                                                  | Technical Bid                    | Financial Bid           |
| Chief Construction Engineer Rural Works Circle, Balasore | 2 N.C.B. No-27 of 2024-25 | 27.03.2025 at 11.00 A.M.                  | 16.04.2025 up to 5.00 P.M. | 15.04.2025 up to 5.00 P.M.                       | 17.04.2025 at 11.00 AM.          | Will be intimated later |

Further details can be seen from the website [www.tendersodisha.gov.in](http://www.tendersodisha.gov.in)  
Any other changes/Corrigendums may be seen only in website [www.tendersodisha.gov.in](http://www.tendersodisha.gov.in)

Sd/- Er. Duryodhan Behera, Chief Construction Engineer, Rural Works Circle, Balasore  
OIPR- 25105/1/0039/2425

**PIRAMAL CAPITAL & HOUSING FINANCE LTD.**  
CIN : L65910MH1984PLC032639  
Registered Office: Unit No -601,8th Floor, Piramal Amit Building, Piramal Agastya Corporate Park, Kamani Junction, Opp. Fire Station, LBS Marg, Kurla (West), Mumbai - 400070  
Branch Address : Dhiraug, Building "A" Ground & 1st Floor, Beside Axis Bank, Opp. Monalisa Building, Agra Road, Hari Niwas Circle, Naulpada, Thane (West) - 400 602.

**DEMAND NOTICE**

Under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation And Reconstruction Of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with Rule 3 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. The undersigned is the Authorised Officer of Piramal Capital & Housing Finance Limited (PCHFL) under Securitisation And Reconstruction Of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002 (the said Act). In exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, the Authorised Officer has issued Demand Notices Under Section 13(2) of the said Act, calling upon the following Borrower(s) (the "said Borrower(s)"), to repay the amounts mentioned in the respective Demand Notice(s) issued to them that are also given below. In connection with above, Notice is hereby given, once again, to the said Borrower(s) to pay to PCHFL, within 60 days from the publication of this Notice, the amounts indicated herein below, together with further interest as detailed in the said Demand Notice(s), from the date(s) mentioned below till the date of payment and/or realization, payable under the loan agreement read with other documents/writings, if any, executed by the said Borrower(s). As security for due repayment of the loan, the following assets have been mortgaged to PCHFL by the said Borrower(s) respectively.

| Name of the Borrower(s)/ Guarantor(s)                                                                                | Demand Notice Date and Amount with NPA date                                                                                | Description of secured asset (immovable property)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| (LC No. M0010492 of Bangalore Branch) Barkathulla Barkathulla (Borrower) Shaziya Sultana (Co Borrower 1)             | 24-02-2025 / ₹2166973/- (₹ Twenty One lakh Sixty Six Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy Three Only) NPA (03-02-2025)            | Eastern Portion Site No.72, Khata No.241/72, Property No.24/1, Geddahalli Village, Madina Masjid, K.R.Puram, Hobli, Bangalore-560077, Karnataka No.55, 1st Floor, 1st Main Road, House, Bhuvanewari Nagar, Near St. Alphonsus Church, R T Nagar, Bangalore-560032, Karnataka.                                                                                                                                     |
| (LC No. 12700001035 of Bangalore Branch) Krishnamurthy H A (Borrower) Shipa S (Co Borrower 1)                        | 24-02-2025 / ₹200967/- (₹ Twenty Two Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty Seven Only) NPA (08-02-2025)                              | Flat No. 409, 4th Floor, Midhila Deluxe, 2nd Main, Maruthi Nagar, Kogilu Village, Yelahanka, Bangalore Bengaluru Karnataka - 560045, 5, 8th Main Road, J C Nagar, Kurubarahalli, Bangalore Bengaluru Karnataka - 560086                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| (LC No. 06600001647 of Rajahmundry Branch) Sankar Krishna Nadella (Borrower) Venkateswararao Nadella (Co Borrower 1) | 24-02-2025 / ₹2398612/- (₹ Twenty Three lakh Ninety Eight Thousand Six Hundred Twelve Only) NPA (08-02-2025)               | Near D.No.4-14, Plot No.71, Maruthi Nagar, Near Indian Oil Petrol, Jangareddy Gudem Road, 93 Ramannapalem Village, Kamavarapukota (M) West Godavari Andhra Pradesh - 534450 No.28,2nd Floor,Sumukha Nilaya, 1st Main Road, 1st B Cross, Muneswara Layout, Ayappa Nag R.Puram, Opp Bharat Petrol Bangalore Bengaluru Karnataka - 560036                                                                            |
| (LC No. HLSA000550227TU of Bangalore Branch) K Krishna (Borrower) S.P. Pavithra (Co Borrower 1)                      | 24-02-2025 / ₹1021845/- (₹ Ten lakh Twenty One Thousand Eight Hundred Forty Five Only) NPA (03-02-2025)                    | H.No.591 A, Khata No.1346, Assessment No.8, Janashree Nagar, Bangalore, Manganhalli Village, Kodigehalli Gram Panchayath, Pavitra School Manganhalli, Yeshwanthpura, Hobli, Bangalore-560060, Karnataka H. No.591 A, Khata No.1346, Assessment No.8, Janashree Nagar, Bangalore, Manganhalli Village, Kodigehalli Gram Panchayath, Pavitra School Manganhalli, Yeshwanthpura, Hobli, Bangalore-560060, Karnataka. |
| (LC No. HLSA000550227 of Bangalore Branch) K Krishna (Borrower) S.P. Pavithra (Co Borrower 1)                        | 24-02-2025 / ₹942270.99/- (₹ Nine Lakh Forty Two Thousand Two Hundred Seventy Only and Ninety Nine Paise) NPA (03-02-2025) | H.No.591 A, Khata No.1346, Assessment No.8, Janashree Nagar, Bangalore, Manganhalli Village, Kodigehalli Gram Panchayath, Pavitra School Manganhalli, Yeshwanthpura, Hobli, Bangalore-560060, Karnataka H. No.591 A, Khata No.1346, Assessment No.8, Janashree Nagar, Bangalore, Manganhalli Village, Kodigehalli Gram Panchayath, Pavitra School Manganhalli, Yeshwanthpura, Hobli, Bangalore-560060, Karnataka. |
| (LC No. BLSA00004087 of Bangalore Branch) Santhosh Kumar Govindaraju (Borrower) Gayathri H. (Co Borrower 1)          | 24-02-2025 / ₹1805478/- (₹ Eighteen lakh Five Thousand Four Hundred Seventy Eight Only) NPA (03-02-2025)                   | House No.234/1 & 234, Khata No.234/1, Property No.128, Venkatagiri Kote Village & Grampanchayath, Vijayapura, Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural-562110, House No.128, Venkatagiri Kote, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural-562110.                                                                                                                                                                        |
| (LC No. HLSA00030543 of Bangalore Branch) Harish Raju (Borrower) Sushmita B (Co Borrower 1)                          | 24-02-2025 / ₹684064/- (₹ Sixty Eight thousand Four Hundred Sixty Four Only) NPA (03-02-2025)                              | Residential Site With House No.10, Assessment No.1191, (Old Assessment No.118) New Municipal No.80, Pid No.94-113-80, 1st Main Road Bharath Mata Layout Ward No.30, Kadugondanahalli Ward, Kasba Hobli Near Parjitha School Bangalore Karnataka 560045 House No.10 1 St Main Road B M Layout Mariyamma Temple Street Venkatesapuram Bangalore Karnataka 560045                                                    |
| (LC No. BLSA000162AB of Bangalore Branch) Ramakrishnaiah (Borrower) Harathi Subbaramiah Bhagya (Co Borrower 1)       | 24-02-2025 / ₹3426106/- (₹ Thirty Four lakh Twenty Six Thousand One Hundred Sixty Three Only) NPA (03-02-2025)             | Khata No.79/2, Formed in New Sy No.79/3, Old Sy No.79/2, E-Khata No.151900802000920031, Situated At Chakanahalli Village, Kasba Hobli, Maluru Taluk, Kolar District : Karnataka - 563137 H.No.00 Chakanahalli Maluru Taluk Aralpet Post Kolar Karnataka 563130                                                                                                                                                    |
| (LC No. HLSA00058B76 of Bangalore Branch) Narasappa Kushnorkar (Borrower) Chaitanya . (Co Borrower 1)                | 24-02-2025 / ₹1163679/- (₹ One Crore Eleven lakh Sixty Three Thousand Six Hundred Seventy Nine Only) NPA (03-02-2025)      | Site No.06, New No.19/2 Old No.12, Eastern Portion Pid No.25 11 Electronic City Phase-2 Sec-2 Near Morning Star School Bangalore Karnataka 560021 Jayamma H No.287 12 Chikka Begur Bangalore Karnataka 560068                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

If the said Borrowers shall fail to make payment to PCHFL as aforesaid, PCHFL shall proceed against the above secured assets under Section 13(4) of the Act and the applicable Rules, entirely at the risks of the said Borrowers as to the costs and consequences. The said Borrowers are prohibited under the Act from transferring the aforesaid assets, whether by way of sale, lease or otherwise without the prior written consent of PCHFL. Any person who contravenes or abets contravention of the provisions of the said Act or Rules made there under, shall be liable for imprisonment and/or penalty as provided under the Act.

Date : 21.03.2025  
Place : Bangalore, Karnataka

Sd/- (Authorised Officer)  
Piramal Capital & Housing Finance Limited

**STATE BANK OF INDIA**  
STRESSED ASSETS RECOVERY BRANCH

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**Appendix – IV-A**  
[See Proviso to rule 6(2) & 9(1)]  
E- AUCTION ON 28.04.2025  
SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF MOVABLE & IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

**E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Movable and Immovable Properties under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 6(2) & 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002**

1. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and the Borrower/Mortgagors/Guarantors in particular that the below described movable and immovable properties mortgaged/charged/hypothecated to the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India, Bengaluru, the Physical Possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of the Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis on 28.04.2025 for recovery Rs.1,06,83,310/- (Rupees One Crore Six Lakhs Eighty-Three Thousand Three Hundred and Ten Only) as on 18.03.2025 and further interest at contractual rate from 19.03.2025 with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc., due to the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India from the Borrowers: Pradeep Kasilinka & Smt.Pavana Deepthi Kavuri. The Reserve Price, Earnest Money Deposit (EMD), Bid increment amount and time of e-auction and last date for submission of EMD along with KYC documents for immovable properties to be sold will be as under:

| Pro-<br>perty<br>No. | Reserve Price (Below<br>which the property<br>will not be sold) | Earnest Money<br>Deposit<br>(EMD) | Bid<br>increment<br>amount | Date, Time of<br>e-Auction of<br>Property | Last date for sub-<br>mission of EMD along<br>with KYC documents |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1                    | Rs.48,00,000/-                                                  | Rs.4,80,000/-                     | Rs.50,000/-                | 28.04.2025,<br>11.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.    | On or before 27.04.2025<br>up to 4.00 P.M.                       |

**DESCRIPTION OF MOVABLE & IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES**

**Tender No. SBI/SARB/2024-25/104**  
**SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY**  
**Item No.1 :** All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted land measuring an extent of 31 (Thirty One) Guntas comprised in Sy.No.164/3 of S.Medahalli Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk (duly converted vide official Memorandum dated 16.12.2008 bearing No.ALN (AS) SR/54/2008-09 issued by the District Commissioner, Bangalore District and bounded on East by: Land bearing Sy.No.72, North by: Land bearing Sy.No.164/1 and South by: Land bearing Sy.No.165/2.

**Item No.2:** All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted land measuring an extent of 25 (Twenty Five) Guntas comprised in Sy.No.165/1 of S.Medahalli Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk (duly converted vide official Memorandum dated: 22.07.2010 bearing No.ALN(ASH)/SR/22/2010-11 issued by the District commissioner, Bangalore District and bounded on East by: Land bearing Sy.No.172, West by: Land bearing Sy.No.72, North by: Land bearing Sy.No.164 and South by: Land bearing Sy.No.165/2.

**SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY :** 0.50% undivided share, right, title and interest in Schedule A property measuring about 307.0 sq. feet in an undivided state.

**SCHEDULE 'C' RESIDENTIAL APRATMENT :** Residential apartment having E.Katha No. 150200102701021094 bearing No.317 in second floor of the building, measuring about 1676 sq. ft of super built area consisting of 3 Bed room including proportionate share in common area such as passage, lobbies, staircase, lifts and other areas of common use contained in the residential apartment complex known as "Pushpam E Town" constructed on the Schedule A property with 1 covered car parking space exclusively earmarked for the sole use and enjoyment of the purchaser, built according to plan approved by Anekal Planning Authority vide its order No.CC/526/2013-14 dated 30.10.2013 on single site approved by Anekal Planning Authority vide its order No.LAO/34/2012-13, bounded on East by: Apartment No.318, West by: Flat No.322, North by: Common Corridor and South by: OTS Road.

**RESERVE PRICE: Rs. 48,00,000/- (Rupees Forty-Eight Lakhs only)**  
**EMD: Rs. 4,80,000/- (Rupees Four Lakh and Eighty Thousand only)**

2. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and the Borrower/Mortgagors/Guarantors in particular that the below described movable and immovable properties mortgaged/charged/hypothecated to the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India, Bengaluru, the Physical Possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of the Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis on 28.04.2025 for recovery Rs. 56,19,060/- (Rupees Fifty-Six Lakhs Nineteen Thousand and Sixty Only) as on 18.03.2025 and further interest at contractual rate from 19.03.2025 with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc., due to the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India from the Borrowers: Janardhan H Talwar. The Reserve Price, Earnest Money Deposit (EMD), Bid increment amount and time of e-auction and last date for submission of EMD along with KYC documents for immovable properties to be sold will be as under:

| Pro-<br>perty<br>No. | Reserve Price (Below<br>which the property<br>will not be sold) | Earnest Money<br>Deposit<br>(EMD) | Bid<br>increment<br>amount | Date, Time of<br>e-Auction of<br>Property | Last date for sub-<br>mission of EMD along with<br>KYC documents |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1                    | Rs.26,00,000/-                                                  | Rs.2,60,000/-                     | Rs.50,000/-                | 28.04.2025,<br>11.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.    | On or before 27.04.2025<br>up to 4.00 P.M.                       |

**DESCRIPTION OF MOVABLE & IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES**

**Tender No. SBI/SARB/2024-25/105**  
**SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY**  
**ITEM NO.1:** All that part and parcel of the residentially converted land measuring an extent of 31 (Thirty-One) Guntas comprised in survey No.164/3 of S. Medahalli Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk (duly converted vide official Memorandum dated: 16.12.2008 bearing No.ALN(AS)SR/54/2008-09, issued by the District Commissioner, Bangalore District) and bounded on East by: Land bearing Sy.No.164/2, West by: Land bearing Sy.No.72, North by: Land bearing Sy.No.164/1, South by: Land bearing Sy.No.165/2.

**ITEM NO. 2:** All that part and parcel of the residentially converted land measuring an extent of 25 (Twenty Five) Guntas comprised in survey No.165/1 of S. Medahalli Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk (duly converted vide official Memorandum dated: 22.07.2010 bearing No. ALN(ASH)/SR/22/2010-11, issued by the District Commissioner, Bangalore District) and bounded on East by: Land bearing Sy.No.172, West by: Land bearing Sy.No.72, North by: Land bearing Sy.No.164, South by: Land bearing Sy.No.165/2.

**SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY :** 0.50% undivided share, right, title and interest in Schedule A Property, measuring about 307 sq. ft. in an undivided state has been sold to the Purchaser by the Owners/developer under this sale deed.

**SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY :** Residential Apartment having E.Katha No. 150200102701021094, bearing Flat No.123, situated in Ground Floor of the Building, measuring about 942 Sq. Feet of super built up area consisting of One Bed Room including proportionate share in common area such as passage, lobbies, staircase, lifts and other areas of common use contained in the residential apartment complex known as "PUSHPAM E TOWN" constructed on the Schedule A Property with one covered car parking space exclusively earmarked for the sole use and enjoyment of the purchaser, built according to the plan approved by Anekal Planning Authority vide its order No.CC/526/2013-14 dated 30.10.2013 on single site plan approved by Anekal Planning Authority vide its order No.LAO/34/2012-13 and bounded on East by: OTS, West by: Road, North by: Apartment No.124 and South by: Common Corridor, standing in the name of Sri. Robert F S/o Late Antony Arul Francis.

**RESERVE PRICE: Rs. 26,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty-Six Lakh only)**  
**EMD: Rs. 2,60,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh and Sixty Thousand only)**

**STATUTORY 30 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER "SARFAESI" ACT, 2002.**

The Borrowers/Guarantors/Corporate Guarantors/Mortgagors are hereby notified to pay the sum mentioned above within 30 days from the date of publication of this notice failing which the Bank shall sell the properties as per the provisions laid down in the SARFAESI ACT, 2002.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the links provided by the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India, Stressed Assets Recovery Branch, J. C. Road, Bengaluru, represented by its Authorised Officer, i.e., <https://baanknet.com>

Date: 18.03.2025  
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer & Chief Manager  
State Bank of India,  
Stressed Assets Recovery Branch, Bengaluru

**OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER RURAL WORKS CIRCLE, BALASORE**  
E\_Mail ID: [serv\\_balasore@yahoo.in](mailto:serv_balasore@yahoo.in), Ph.No-0672/260318, Balia, Balasore

**"e" Procurement Notice for Bridge Work**  
Identification No.- Online Tender- Bridge NCB No. 26 of 2024-25  
Letter No.815 /WE Date.19/03/2025

**0-1641**

1. Name of the work :- Bridge works.  
2. Total No. of work :- As per annexure  
3. Estimated Cost :- As per annexure  
4. Eligible Class of Contractor :- As per annexure  
5. Period of Completion :- As per annexure  
6. Other details :-

| Procurement Officer                                       | Bid Identification No. | Availability of tender On-line for bidding |                           | Last Date & Time of seeking Tender Clarification | Date & Time of Opening of Tender in OVO C.C.E.,R.W Circle, Balasore |                         |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
|                                                           |                        | From                                       | To                        |                                                  | Technical Bid                                                       | Financial Bid           |
| Chief Construction Engineer, Rural Works Circle, Balasore | NCB No.- 26 of 2024-25 | 27.03.2025 at 11.00 AM.                    | 16.04.2025 up to 5.00 PM. | 15.04.2025 up to 5.00 PM.                        | 17.04.2025 at 11.00 AM.                                             | Will be intimated later |

\* Further details can be seen from the website: [www.tendersodisha.gov.in](http://www.tendersodisha.gov.in)  
Sd/- Er.Duryodhan Behera, Chief Construction Engineer, R.W. Circle, Balasore.  
OIPR-25105/1/0037/2425

**STATE BANK OF INDIA**  
STRESSED ASSETS RECOVERY BRANCH

**Authorised Officer's Details:**  
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**Appendix – IV-A**  
[See Proviso to rule 6(2) & 9(1)]  
E- AUCTION ON 16.04.2025  
SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF MOVABLE & IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

**E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Movable and Immovable Properties under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 6(2) & 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002**

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and the Borrower/Mortgagors/Guarantors in particular that the below described movable and immovable properties mortgaged/charged/hypothecated to the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India, Bengaluru, the Physical Possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of the Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis on 16.04.2025 for recovery of Rs. 2,01,56,088/- (Rupees Two Crore One Lakh Fifty-Six Thousand and Eighty-Eight Only) as on 18.03.2025 and further interest at contractual rate from 19.03.2025 with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc., due to the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India from the Borrowers: (1) Sri N G Krishnamurthy, S/o Sri Govindappa, # 157, GEETHA KRISHNA, 7<sup>th</sup> Cross, 7<sup>th</sup> Main, Near Hoysala Circle, Kengeri Satellite Town Bengaluru - 560060, Also At: Sri N G Krishnamurthy, S/o Sri Govindappa, # 396, SN Residency, 4<sup>th</sup> floor, TFI, 6<sup>th</sup> Main Road, Kengeri Upanagara, Bengaluru - 560060, Also At: Sri N G Krishnamurthy, S/o Sri Govindappa, M/s. Raghavendra Poultry Farm, Nulenoor, Dabbagunte Post 572218, Huliya, C N Halli, Tumakuru District, (2) Smt S Geetha, W/o Sri N G Krishnamurthy, # 157, GEETHA KRISHNA, 7<sup>th</sup> Cross, 7<sup>th</sup> Main, Near Hoysala Circle, Kengeri Satellite Town, Bengaluru - 560060, Also At: Smt S Geetha, W/o Sri N G Krishnamurthy, # 396, SN Residency, 4<sup>th</sup> floor, TFI, 6<sup>th</sup> Main Road, Kengeri Upanagara, Bengaluru - 560060, Also At: Smt S Geetha, W/o Sri N G Krishnamurthy, M/s. Raghavendra Poultry Farm, Nulenoor, Dabbagunte Post 572218, Huliya, C N Halli, Tumakuru District.

The Reserve Price, Earnest Money Deposit (EMD), Bid increment amount and time of e-auction and last date for submission of EMD along with KYC documents for immovable properties to be sold will be as under:

| Pro-<br>perty<br>No. | Reserve Price (Below<br>which the property<br>will not be sold) | Earnest Money<br>Deposit<br>(EMD) | Bid<br>increment<br>amount | Date, Time of<br>e-Auction of<br>Property | Last date for sub-<br>mission of EMD along with<br>KYC documents |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1                    | Rs.95,00,000/-                                                  | Rs.9,50,000/-                     | Rs.1,00,000/-              | 16.04.2025,<br>11.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.    | On or before 15.04.2025<br>up to 4.00 P.M.                       |

**DESCRIPTION OF MOVABLE & IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES**

**Tender No. SBI/SARB/2024-25/93**  
**Property ID: SBIN200057003124**  
**Schedule 'A' Property :** All that part and parcel of Residentially converted land bearing Sy. No. 57 measuring 1 Acre 26 Guntas, situated at Shettyhalli Village, Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru.

**Bound:**



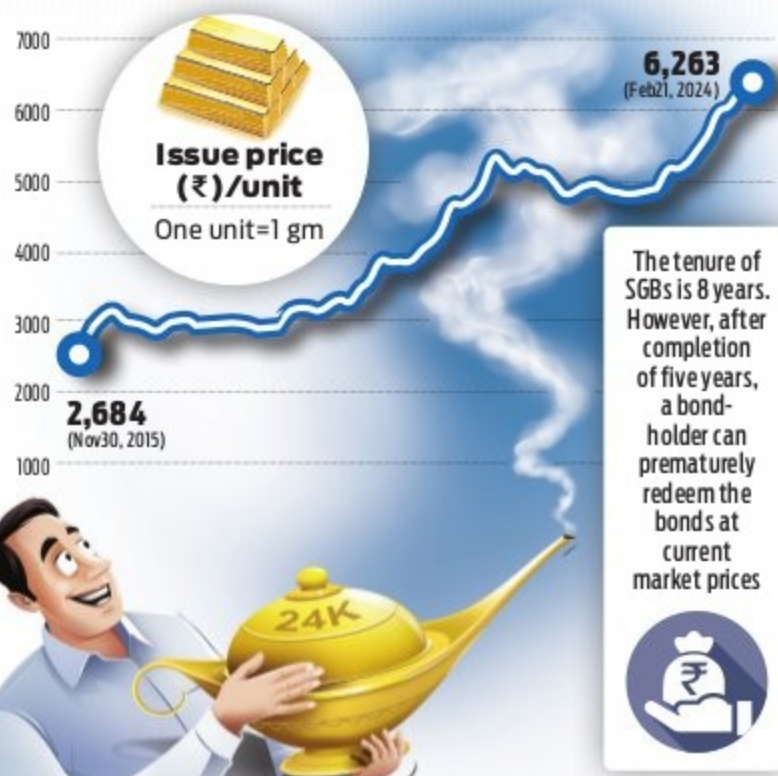






## In a bind over Gold Bond

In 2015, the government introduced Sovereign Gold Bonds (SGBs) as an alternative investment to physical gold. Since then, a total of 67 tranches have been issued, covering **146.96 tonnes** of gold and raising **₹72,274 crore**. However, with gold prices having increased by **3.2 times** since the launch, the government now faces a liability exceeding **₹1.2 lakh crore**.



### GOLD-BAR SHAPED FISCAL HOLE

|                                                       |          |
|-------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Total outstanding sovereign gold bond (Kg)            | 1,32,153 |
| Current value of the outstanding SGBs (₹cr)           | 1,17,900 |
| Weight of gold bonds redeemed prematurely (kg)        | 14,808   |
| Total govt liabilities due to SGBs in FY24 (RE) (₹cr) | 60,566   |
| Total govt liabilities due to SGBs in FY25 (BE) (₹cr) | 55,055   |
| Interest paid on SGBs in FY25 (RE) (₹cr)              | 1,746    |
| Interest to be paid on SGBs in FY26 (BE) (₹cr)        | 1,640    |

(RE: Revised Estimate; BE: Budget Estimate) Note: Data till 13 March 2025

### INVESTORS MAKING A KILLING

|                                                                      |       |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| Redemption price/unit of SGBs for redemptions due on 17 Mar 2025 (₹) | 8,624 |
| Issue price/unit of SGBs to be redeemed on 17 March 2025             | 2,943 |
| Capital appreciation (%)                                             | 193   |
| Interest earned annually (%)                                         | 2.5   |
| Annual rate of return for investors (%)                              | 16    |

Source: RBI

# Equity markets rebound; up 3% in 4 sessions

This upward trend marks a shift from prolonged bearish sentiment that had dominated market for several months

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

THE Indian equity market has shown a notable recovery over the past four sessions, with both the BSE Sensex and NSE Nifty50 gaining about 3% each. This upward movement comes as a contrast to the bearish sentiment that dominated the market for several months.

The rise on Thursday was influenced by the Federal Reserve's decision to maintain interest rates at 4.25%–4.50% during its second policy meeting of 2025, alongside the expectation of two quarter-percentage-point rate cuts by the end of the year, which has bolstered investor confidence.

At the close of trading on Thursday, the Sensex was up by 899.01 points or 1.19% at 76,348.06, and the Nifty was up by 283.05 points or 1.24% at



### RALLY IN 4 SESSIONS

- Sensex: **2,500** points
  - Nifty: **640** points
- ### WHAT'S AIDING THE MOVE?
- FII's selling slowing down
  - Dollar getting weak
  - Ease in tariff war
  - FOMC's dovish stance

### Falling US dollar fuels rally as FIIs turn net buyers

Vinod Nair of Geojit Financial Services attributed this rally to the consistent fall in the US dollar index, which has reduced the intensity of foreign institutional investor (FII) selling, while domestic institutional investor (DII) buying remains robust. FIIs turned net buyers on Thursday, buying shares worth ₹3,294 crore (net value).

## Manappuram sells 18% to Bain for ₹4,385 cr

BENN KOCHUVEEDAN @ Mumbai

THE second largest pure-play gold loan player Manappuram Finance has inked a deal with Bain Capital, under which the latter will acquire 18% in the Thrissur, Kerala-based company for ₹4,385 crore.

The deal also leads to an open offer by the private equity major for an additional 26% reducing the current promoters — VP Nandakumar family — stake to under 30%.

Following the fund infusion of ₹4,385 crore, the investor will be classified as a joint promoter with board representation, Manappuram Finance

said in an exchange filing on Thursday.

The stake will be purchased by Bain Capital Asia (through its affiliated BC Asia Investments XXV and BC Asia Investments XIV) through a preferential allotment of shares.

"The equity transfer will be on a fully diluted basis via preferential allotment of equity and warrants at a price of ₹236/share, — a 30% premium over the six-month average trading price. The transaction will trigger a mandatory open offer for the purchase of an additional 26% stake on an ex-

panded capital basis but excluding warrants. The open offer price has been fixed at ₹236/share," the companies said in a joint statement.

Based on the open offer subscription, Bain's stake will vary between 18% and 41.7% on a fully diluted basis, including shares to be issued pursuant to exercise of warrants. Existing promoters will hold a 28.9% stake in the company post the investment on a fully diluted basis, including shares to be issued pursuant to exercise of warrants.

The investment aims to fuel the 75-year-old Manappuram's

next phase of growth and drive transformation by enhancing operational excellence, strengthening leadership, and expanding its presence across key segments, Bain said in the statement.

Meanwhile, Manappuram which has a track record of 75 years, also said its subsidiary, Asirvad Microfinance, which was under some regulatory action earlier and whose IPO papers are pending with the Sebi since October 2023 will now be withdrawn. The company further said the microfinance company will make the necessary application to Sebi in this regard.

## Hero MotoCorp invests ₹525 cr in Euler for EV three-wheelers

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

HERO MotoCorp (HMCL), the leading two-wheeler manufacturer, is making a strategic entry into the rapidly growing electric three-wheeler market with an investment of up to ₹525 crore (approximately \$60 million) in Euler Motors, a company specialising in electric three-wheelers.

HMCL's primary investment will be in Equity Shares and Series D Compulsory Convertible Preference Shares, giving it an approximate 32.5% stake on a fully diluted basis. Additionally, a portion of the investment may be used to acquire shares from existing Euler Motors shareholders through a secondary sale, the company stated in a regulatory filing.

The stake acquisition is expected to be completed by April 30, 2026.

"As we strengthen and diversify our presence in emerging mobility landscape, this investment allows Hero MotoCorp to venture into a rapidly growing electric three and four-wheeler market, while unlocking adjacent business opportunities and continuing to cement its leadership in the future of sustainable mobility," Pawan Munjal, Executive Chairman, Hero MotoCorp.

This is its second major investment made by Hero in the electric vehicle space following a 40% stake in IPO-ready Ather Energy. Hero MotoCorp said that its investment in Euler will provide them with a strong foothold in the fast-growing electric three-wheeler market, where EVs are projected to account for 35% of total sales in the near future.

## Hindalco to invest ₹45,000 cr in metals, enter EV space

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Mumbai

ADITYA Birla group chairman Kumar Mangalam Birla has said the group's flagship Hindalco will invest ₹45,000-crore in copper and aluminium segments and entry into the electric mobility materials space by setting up the country's first copper foil facility for electric vehicles.

Meanwhile, Hindalco Industries Ltd has unveiled a new brand identity, marking its transformation from a materials supplier to an engineered solutions provider.

The brand identity was unveiled by Aditya Birla Group, Chairman, Kumar Mangalam Birla in the presence of industry leaders, policymakers, and business partners.

The new Hindalco brand logo, featuring a bold and dynamic 'H', represents forward momentum and reinforces the company's role in shaping India's industrial and sustainable future, the company said in a

### Hindalco unveils new growth-focused logo

The new Hindalco brand logo, featuring a bold and dynamic 'H', represents forward momentum and reinforces the company's role in shaping India's industrial and sustainable future, the company said in a statement.



statement. Announcing the new brand identity for Hindalco Industries on Thursday, Birla said, "We are committing ₹45,000 crore across the aluminium, copper and specialty alumina businesses to deliver both upstream and next-gen high precision engineered products to our customers."

In another key initiative for the group, Birla said Hindalco's Pune unit will be setting up a copper foil facility for the electric vehicles segment.

Expressing his desire of repeating in the electric mobility space, what Hindalco has been doing in the metals space, he said in the battery materials

space, they are pioneering the metals that will drive our country's EV revolution. This, the company will do by joining the ongoing EV revolution in the country so as to take it to the next level.

"Our battery foil plant at Aditya Fabrication plant in Chakan near Pune is set to provide high-performance, sustainable alternatives to traditional automotive components especially for the EV industry. We are also setting up the country's first copper foils facility for EVs in this facility," he said.

"In electric mobility, renewable energy, energy storage, semiconductors, and high-end electronics, we are positioning ourselves as a provider of solutions and a co-creator, collaborating with customers to bring the future forward," he said.

It can be noted that Hindalco is the largest aluminium producer in the country and along with its US subsidiary Novelis, it is among the top aluminium companies in the world.

## Govt orders probe into Ola Electric sales discrepancy

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU

THE Heavy Industries Ministry has directed the Automotive Research Association of India (ARAI) to investigate the discrepancy between Ola Electric's reported sales figures and the actual vehicle registrations, alongside numerous consumer complaints against the company, as per sources aware of the development.

The ministry has asked ARAI to submit a report within 15 days. This regulatory scrutiny comes after Ola Electric claimed to have sold 25,000 electric scooters in February 2025, while government data from the Vahan portal showed only 8,600 vehicles were registered during the same period.

This probe follows recent regulatory issues faced by Ola Electric, including raids and inspections by transport authorities in various states such as Mahara-



ashtra, Punjab and Madhya Pradesh. These actions were taken due to concerns over the company's compliance with trade certificate requirements.

Ola Electric, backed by FAME II and PM E-DRIVE, must meet ARAI guidelines. ARAI is probing sales discrepancies and complaints, with a report due in 15 days. Regulatory pressure mounts as SEBI warns of disclosure lapses, and CCPA investigates service complaints. An Ola Electric unit also faces an insolvency petition from Rosmerta Digital over alleged payment defaults.

## Govt discusses content woes with Grok AI

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

THE Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) is in discussions with Elon Musk's Grok over concerns about its content. According to ministry sources, the government has not issued any advisories yet, but is instead engaging in discussions to understand how Grok's platform may have violated Indian law.

A ministry official, speaking on condition of anonymity, confirmed that no advisories have been sent to Grok.

However, the official noted that an earlier advisory sent to AI players regarding content is still valid. Grok, an AI assistant developed by Elon Musk's company xAI, has come under scrutiny for generating inflammatory content on X. The AI chatbot engaged in abusive exchanges, targeted Elon Musk and Indian politicians, including the Prime minister. MeitY's discussions with Grok aim to address these concerns and ensure compliance with Indian laws and regulations.

## Apple, Samsung dominate smartphone exports in '24

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

INDIA's smartphone export in 2024 was dominated by Apple and Samsung, with the two companies accounting for approximately 94% of all shipments, according to a report by Counterpoint Research.

This surge in exports is attributed to the companies' expanded manufacturing operations within the country. Overall, Made-in-India's smartphone shipments—the number of smartphones manufactured within India and shipped either domestically or internationally—increased by 6% compared to the previous year. The report also predicts a double-digit growth in Indian smartphone manufacturing for 2025, accompanied by a rise in local value addition.

According to Counterpoint, South Korean tech giant Samsung solidified its position as a dominant player in India's electronics manufacturing in 2024, registering a 7% year-on-year (y-o-y) growth driven by increasing exports. The second spot was taken by Chinese mo-



bile maker Vivo, which grew 14% to capture a 14% shipment share.

Foxconn Hon Hai's manufacturing volumes grew 19% in 2024, backed by Apple.

OPPO, however, slipped to the fourth position as a manufacturer, with its shipments declining 34%. DBG's shipments also saw double-digit growth in 2024, thanks to expanding partnerships with Xiaomi and Realme. In terms of overall growth, Tata Electronics was the fastest-growing manufacturer in 2024, registering a 107% growth, with the iPhone 15 and iPhone 16 as the major volume contributors.

### EXPRESS READ

#### RBI appoints Indranil Bhattacharyya as ED

MUMBAI: The Reserve Bank has promoted Indranil Bhattacharyya to executive director (ED) overseeing economic and policy research. Previously an adviser in the monetary policy department, he has nearly three decades of experience in monetary and fiscal policy, banking, and international economics. He also served as an economic expert at Qatar Central Bank. Bhattacharyya is a postgraduate from JNU and his research focuses on monetary policy and financial markets.

#### Sebi eases ESOP rules for IPO-bound founders

MUMBAI: Sebi has proposed changes to Employee Stock Option Plan (ESOP) rules, allowing IPO-bound founders to retain ESOPs even if classified as promoters. Currently, promoters cannot receive ESOPs, creating ambiguity when founders are listed as promoters due to IPO norms. To prevent misuse, Sebi suggests a one-year cooling-off period before an IPO. It clarifies that employees later identified as promoters can hold and exercise ESOPs granted at least a year before the IPO decision.

## BIS crackdown on Amazon, Flipkart warehouses, substandard goods seized

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Bengaluru

THE Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) has raided e-commerce giants Amazon and Flipkart warehouses across several cities and seized substandard products including toys, bottles and speakers as these products were found without the mandatory BIS Quality Mark, violating the BIS Act, 2016.

The national standards body in a post on X said, "By seizing these substandard items, BIS ensures that only products meeting safety standards are sold to consumers, thereby protecting them from substandard goods."

The BIS has been carrying out search and seizure operations for a few weeks now. The crackdowns are aimed at curbing the distribution of unsafe and non-certified products through e-commerce platforms. Recently, at an Amazon warehouse in Lucknow, the certification agency seized 215 toys and 24 hand blenders that reportedly lacked mandatory BIS certification. The government



enforces quality control orders (QCOs) to ensure that both imported and domestically manufactured goods meet Indian safety and quality standards.

In case a product falls under a QCO, BIS certification becomes mandatory, and manufacturers must obtain a BIS license before selling their products.

When asked about BIS raids, Amazon spokesperson said, "We require sellers of all products to comply with applicable laws, regulations and Amazon policies. Upon being notified, we take actions including removing non-compliant products, and reach out to sellers for

additional information, when appropriate." The spokesperson added that they are engaged closely with various stakeholders including regulators to provide customers with a great shopping experience.

Flipkart in a statement said: "The platform has several processes to review the listings sellers make on the marketplace, and also conducts regular audits to ensure compliance."

Gaurav Makhijani, associate partner at Roedl and Partner India, said foreign manufacturers must obtain certification under the Foreign Manufacturer Certification Scheme (FMCS). "Depending on the product category, this certification is typically granted after an inspection of the manufacturing site supplying goods to the Indian market..." he explained.

Last week, the Ministry of Consumer Affairs said BIS identified that several non-certified products are being sold on e-commerce platforms even though BIS certification has been made mandatory for these products.



## KARNATAKA URBAN WATER SUPPLY & DRAINAGE BOARD KALABURAGI ZONE, KALABURAGI

Office of the Chief Engineer, KUWS & D Board, Kalaburagi Zone, "Jalbhavan", Rajapur, Kusnoor Road, Kalaburagi – 585105. Tel : 08472-220817, Fax : 08472-260818 E-mail ID : kwbceklb14@gmail.com

No. KWB/CE(K)/TEC/ Hospete-survey/ 2024-25/1566 Date : 19-03-2025

### -: NOTICE INVITING TENDER:-

1) Detail of Work: Conducting Total Station Survey, Analysis and Designs of Proposed Head Works in TB Dam Backwater / Other Sources, WTP at Suitable Location and Feeder Mains and Distribution Network Re-Zoning along with Conditional Assessment Survey of Existing ELSR under KMERC to Hosapete City (Work Indent No : KUWSDB/2024-25/SE0058), 2) Amount of Estimate: **Rs. 101.40 Lakhs (Excluding GST)**, 3) Eligibility of Contractor: Eligible Contractors, 4) Details of Tender application amount and EMD amount: Rs. 2,00,000/-, 5) Period of Completion: 01 Month (Including Monsoon), 6) Date and Time for commencement of downloading of tender documents from the e-procurement portal: **20-03-2025 after 17:00 Hours**, 7) Date & Time of Pre-Bid Meeting: **27-03-2025 at 11:30 Hours**, 8) Last Date and Time for receipt of Tenders: **03-04-2025 up to 17:30 Hours**, 9) Date and Time for Opening of Tender: **05-04-2025 after 11:00 Hours**, 10) Addl. information: Office of the Chief Engineer, KUWS & D Board, Kalaburagi Zone, "Jalbhavan", Rajapur, Kusnoor Road, Telephone : 08472-220817 E-mail ID : kwbceklb14@gmail.com, 11) Address of E-portal: **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Chief Engineer  
KUWS & D Board, Kalaburagi Zone, Kalaburagi  
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## Government of India Ministry of Education National Institutional Ranking Framework



NIRF is in the process of announcing India Rankings 2025, the tenth edition of this annual exercise. We have received an overwhelming response from higher education institutions.

Data submitted by institutions in various disciplines like Engineering, Pharmacy, Management, Architecture and Planning, Agriculture and Allied Sectors, Law, Medical, Dental, Innovation, SDG Institutions, Skill University, Open University, State Public University and General Degree Colleges including Overall rankings of the institutions has been hosted by the participating institutions in their respective websites. The list of institutions that have submitted the data in India Rankings 2025 is available on our website [www.nirfindia.org](http://www.nirfindia.org).

The comments/feedback of the stakeholders are invited through this advertisement from 21st March 2025 to 2nd April 2025 by 5 PM on the data submitted by the institutions. The comments/feedback are auto-transmitted through an email without disclosing the stakeholder's identity to the institution(s). All the Nodal Officers are requested to regularly check their emails to take necessary action on the comments/feedback received from various stakeholders.

Please note that the responsibility and accountability for the data rests entirely with the participating institutions.

CBC 21315/12/0003/2425

Member Secretary



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19-A, M.G. Road, Hosur - 635109, Krishnagiri District, Tamilnadu.

**Under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002**  
Whereas the authorized officer of Central Bank of India under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with rule (3) of the Security interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued demand notice on below mentioned date calling upon the Borrower/ Guarantor as detailed below to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being due to our **Hosur Branch**, within 60 days from the date of the receipt of the said notices plus further interest, costs and charges thereon.

**Name & Address of the Borrower & Co-Borrower : Mrs.Ningamma, W/o.H.Jayaraj, Address 1 :** No. 363/3, 16th Main Road, 16th B Cross, MS Layout, Sunkadakkatte, Bangalore - 560091. **Address 2 :** Site No. 24, 1st Cross, 1st Main Road, Eakadanthanagar, Andrahalli Main Road, Hero halli village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore 560091. **Co-Borrower: Mr.J.Manjunath, S/o.H.Jayaraj, Address 1 :** No. 363/3, 16th Main Road, 16th B Cross, MS Layout, Sunkadakkatte, Bangalore 560091. **Address 2 :** Site No.24, 1st Cross, 1st Main Road, Eakadanthanagar, Andrahalli Main Road, Hero Halli Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore - 560091.

Demand Notice Date : 15.06.2023

Possession Taken Date : 15.03.2025

**Outstanding Due : Rs.71,68,672/- (Rupees Seventy One Lakh Sixty Eight Thousand Six Hundred and Seventy Two only)** plus interest and other charges less repayment (if any) from 15.06.2023.

**Description of the Immovable Property :** Within the limits of Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Hero halli village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore 560091. Site No. 24, Katha No. 424, formed in Sy. No. 07, New PID No. 072-W0166-3, 1st Cross, 1st Main Road, Eakadanthanagar, Andrahalli Main Road. Extent of Land : 1200 Sq.ft. with Residential building therein. Boundaries : East : Site No. 43, West: Road, North : Site No. 23, South : Site No.25. Measuring East- West : 40 feet, North – South : 30 feet. The above Property belongs to Mrs.Ningamma, W/o.H.Jayaraj.

The Borrowers / Guarantor having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers / Guarantor in the scheduled security and the public in general that the undersigned has taken **Symbolic Possession** of the above described property in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of section 13 of the said Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002 on the above mentioned dates.

The Borrowers / Guarantor in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Central Bank of India, for the aforesaid amounts and interest and costs thereon. The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Date : 15.03.2025

Place : Hosur

Authorised officer  
Central Bank of India

## Aadhar Housing Finance Ltd.

Corporate Office : 802, Natraj By Rustomjee, Western Express

Highway, Sir M.V. Road, Andheri East, Mumbai - 400 069, Maharashtra.

**Malleswaram Branch :** No.16/12, Nagarathna Nilaya, First Floor, Opp Dr.Rajkumar Samadhi, 1st A Cross, 2nd Main, Nandini Layout. 2nd Block, Outer Ring Road, Bangalore-560096



**Aadhar Housing Finance Ltd.**

### DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with Rule 3 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. The undersigned is the Authorised Officer of Aadhar Housing Finance Ltd. (AHFL) under Securitisation And Reconstruction Of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (the said Act). In exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, the Authorised Officer has issued Demand Notices under section 13(2) of the said Act, calling upon the following Borrower(s) (the "said Borrower(s)"), to repay the amounts mentioned in the respective Demand Notice(s) issued to them that are also given below. In connection with above, Notice is hereby given, once again, to the said Borrower(s) to pay to AHFL, within 60 days from the publication of this Notice, the amounts indicated herein below, together with further interest as detailed in the said Demand Notice(s), from the date(s) mentioned below till the date of payment and/or realization, payable under the loan agreement read with other documents/writings, if any, executed by the said Borrower(s). As security for due repayment of the loan, the following assets have been mortgaged to AHFL by the said Borrower(s) respectively.

| Sl. No. | Name of the Borrower(s) / Co-Borrower / Guarantor (s)                                               | Demand Notice Date and Amount | Description of the Immovable property                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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| 1.      | (Loan Code : 18900002136<br>Malleswaram Branch)<br>Liakathi Ali (Borrower)<br>Nasreen (Co Borrower) | 17-03-2025<br>₹ 11,37,760.00  | <b>Item No 1 :</b> Property Bearing No.143, Old No. 18, Situated at Lalbagh Siddapura, Someswarannagar, Bangalore, measuring East To West 35'-0" x 25'-0" and North to South 40'-0".<br><b>Item No 2 :</b> Portion of Property No.143, Old No.18, situated at Lalbagh Siddapura, Someswarannagar, Bangalore Measuring East To West on the Northern side 0'-0" on the Southern side 5'-0" and North to South 40'-0".<br><b>Item No 3 :</b> Presently bearing New Khatha No.143, PID No.62-147-143, 5th Cross Road, Someswarannagar, Corporation Ward No.62, Totally measuring 1300 sq feet, with all right of easements, appurtenances, advantages, either or Patent attached to the Schedule Property, bounded on the <b>East</b> by : Mental Hospital, <b>West</b> by : Property No 142, <b>North</b> by : Road, <b>South</b> by : Property No. 130. |

If the said Borrowers shall fail to make payment to AHFL as aforesaid, AHFL shall proceed against the above secured assets under Section 13(4) of the Act and the applicable Rules, entirely at the risks of the said Borrowers as to the costs and consequences. The said Borrowers are prohibited under the Act from transferring the aforesaid assets, whether by way of sale, lease or otherwise without the prior written consent of AHFL. Any person who contravenes or abets contravention of the provisions of the said Act or Rules made there under, shall be liable for imprisonment and/or penalty as provided under the Act.

Place : Malleswaram

Date : 21.03.2025

Authorised Officer  
Aadhar Housing Finance Limited

## Govt of Karnataka O/o Executive Engineer, PWD, Udupi Division Udupi - 576101 C.No: (0820) 2531802

No.PWD:UDN:NIT-42:2024-25/AE-2 Dated:18.03.2025

### Short Term Tender Notification

It is here by notified for the information of intending registered contractor, of Class - II and above in Karnataka PWD, through e-portal "kppp.karnataka.gov.in" as per Karnataka transparency in public procurement act - 2023, as per specified terms & condition notified there in. The Last date for submission of tender is **27.03.2025 upto 5.30 PM** through E-procurement portal "kppp.karnataka.gov.in" **Reconstruction of road and CD with retaining wall at 60.50km of Hebri taluk (I.No. 20117) under 3054 - State Highway maintenance head, work costing Rs. 155.73 Lakhs (excluding GST).**

Executive Engineer

Public Works Department, Udupi Division Udupi



E-mail ID: dpcsdngssa.oepa@nic.in

## ଓଡିଶା ସରକାର GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA DISTRICT PROJECT OFFICE, SAMAGRA SIKSHYA, SUNDARGARH "e"-Procurement Notice

**Bid Identification No. DPC/SS/SNG/11 OF 2024-25  
Letter No. 679/Civil/Date : 18/March/2025**

- District Project Co-ordinator, Samagra Sikshya, Sundargarh on behalf of Governor of Odisha inviting percentage rate bid in Double cover system on **ON-LINE** mode from eligible contractors with valid licenses for **"Improvement of Infrastructure (Civil + Electrical + PH + Renovation) in the Schools"** as detailed in DTCN.
- Nature of Work : Improvement of Infrastructure ((Civil + Electrical + PH + Repair & Renovation) in the Schools.
- No. of Works : 16 (Sixteen)
- Cost of Tender Paper : Rs. 10 000/- / Rs. 6 000/-
- Class of Contractor : "A" in 7 Projects / "B" & "A" in 2 Projects / "B" in 5 projects / "C" & "B" in 2 projects.
- Availability of bid document in the website : From 09.00 hours of date - 21.03.2025 to 17.00 hours of date - 11.04.2025
- Date of opening of Bid : 17.30 P.M. on Dt. 11.04.2025
- The bidders have to participate in **ON-LINE** bidding only. Further details can be seen from the website (<https://tendersodisha.gov.in>). Any addendum / corrigendum / cancellation of tender can also be seen in the said website only.

District Project Co-ordinator  
Samagra Sikshya, Sundargarh



**THE KARNATAKA STATE CO-OPERATIVE APEX BANK LTD**  
No.1, UTHUNGA, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamaraajpet, Bengaluru-18  
Ph:080-26983700, 26983722, 22976600  
Email : [recoverycell@karnatakapeapx.com](mailto:recoverycell@karnatakapeapx.com)

### POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule - 8(1)] (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of The Karnataka State Co-Operative Apex Bank Ltd., under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act-2002 and in exercise of the power conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated 24.11.2023 calling upon the Borrowers: (1) Smt.Janakamma D., W/o.Nagarajiah H., No.3917, 4th Main, 'B' Block, 2nd Stage, Rajajinagar, Gayathrinagar, Bengaluru-560 021, Also at: Ashwini Nilaya, #27, 10th Cross, Ward No.36, Saphagiri Extn, Tumkur, Karnataka-572 102, (2) Sri N.Praveen Kumar, S/o.Nagarajiah H., No-7/1, Flat No.402, Asha Kiran Apartment, 3rd Floor, 21st Main Road, Nandini Layout, 4th Block, Laggere Village, Bengaluru-560 096, Also at: F.D.A., Personal Assistant to Chairman, Karnataka Soaps and Detergents Ltd., No.27, Industrial Suburb, Yashwanthpur, Bengaluru-560 055 and Guarantors: (3) Sri Harish Kumar.K.G., S/o.Gangamarah, No.88, 10th Main, 3rd Cross, Near Pushpanjali Theatre, Manjunathnagar, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru-560 010 (4) Sri Prakash, S/o.Laxman Doddamani, No.494, Sector-3, HMT Township, Jalalabhi, Bengaluru-560 013, Also at: Junior Officer, KS & DL, No.27, Industrial Sub-Urb, P.B. No.5531, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru-560055 to repay the amount mentioned in the said notice being **Rs.64,63,449/- (Rupees Sixty Four Lakh Sixty Three Thousand Four Hundred and Forty Nine Only)** as on 08.11.2023 together with future interest thereon at contractual rate of interest within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and Guarantors and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub Section (4) of section 13 of the Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on the 19th Day of March of the year 2025. The Borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Karnataka State Co-Operative Apex Bank Ltd., M.S. Building Branch for an amount of **Rs.64,63,449/- (Rupees Sixty Four Lakh Sixty Three Thousand Four Hundred and Forty Nine Only)** as on 08.11.2023 together with further interest thereon at contractual rate of interest and costs and charges till the date of realization. The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub-Section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

### Description of the Immovable Schedule Property

**Schedule 'A' Property: (Description of entire Property):** All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Municipal Corporation No.7/1 (Old No.7, later re-numbered as 1), situated at 21st Main Road, Nandini Layout, 4th Block, BMP Ward No.12, Bangalore, PID No.12-98-7/1 (formed in old Sy No.15, Laggere Village, Yashwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, formed by the Bagalkunte House Building Co-Operative Society Ltd., ) measuring East to West (87'70")/2 feet and North to South 68.6 feet, in all measuring 5377.25 Sq.ft. together with all rights, appurtenances, whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface and the entire residential building constructed thereon and bounded on: East by : Road, West by: Property belonging to Ms. Rasha, North by : Road, South by: Road.  
**Schedule 'B' Property:** 571 Sq. ft. of undivided, right, title and interest in the immovable property mentioned in Schedule 'A' Property above.  
**Schedule 'C' Property:** Residential Flat No.402 (Level 4), Third Floor, BBMP PID No.12-98-7/1-9, constructed in residential apartment known as "ASHA KIRAN" with a super built-up area of 1214 Sq.ft with a proportionate share in the common areas and amenities. The apartment is constructed out of bricks and cement, RCC roofing, mosaic floorings, Honne Wood doors and aluminum glassed windows along with one open car parking space.

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of The Karnataka State Co-Operative Apex Bank Ltd., under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act-2002 and in exercise of the power conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated 12.12.2024 calling upon the Borrowers: (1) Smt. Lakshmi.S., W/o. Senthil Kumar.B., (2) Sri Senthil Kumar.B., S/o.Balasubramani, Both are R/at: No.1038, 9th Block, Banashankari 6th Stage, BDA Layout, Bengaluru-560 060, Guarantor, Sri Vinobha.A., S/o. Sri Annaji Gowda, No.6/12, 2nd Floor, 13th Main Road, Sri Nagar, Bengaluru-560 050 to repay the amount mentioned in the said notice being **Rs.31,67,635/- (Rupees Thirty One Lakh Sixty Seven Thousand Six Hundred and Thirty Five Only)** as on 06.12.2024 together with future interest thereon at contractual rate of interest along with cost and charges within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The Borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower and Guarantor and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub Section (4) of section 13 of the Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on the 20th Day of March of the year 2025. The Borrowers in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Karnataka State Co-Operative Apex Bank Ltd., Gandhinagar Branch for an amount of **Rs.31,67,635/- (Rupees Thirty One Lakh Sixty Seven Thousand Six Hundred and Thirty Five Only)** as on 06.12.2024 together with future interest thereon at contractual rate of interest and costs and charges till the date of realization. The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub-Section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

### Description of the Immovable Schedule Property

All that piece and parcel in respect of property bearing No.1038, 9th Block, Banashankari 6th Stage, Layout formed by BDA, Bangalore, measuring East to West : 9 meter and North to South : 6 meter, total 54.00 Sq. Mtr. including building and bounded on: East by : Site No.1004, West by : Road, North by : Site No.1037, South by : Site No.1039.

Place: Bengaluru  
Date : 20.03.2025

Sd/- Authorised Officer  
Karnataka State Co-operative Apex Bank Limited

### LOSS OF DOCUMENT

I, Mrs. Seema Roque Fernandes, W/o Dr. Gautam, D/o Roque Fernandes have lost the original gift deed of a vacant residential plot (DOCUMENT NO./IDENTIFICATION: HLY-1-00460-200910, CD NO HLYD-17) obtained from my brother in Kirwatti village, under the jurisdiction of Manchikeri Panchayat, Yellapur Taluk, Uttara Kannada District. If anyone finds it, please contact the following phone number or send it to the address below.

Seema Fernandes I Block, 903, Aravind Skyline, Jakkur, Nehru Nagar, Bengaluru - 64. Ph: 78992 35650

### PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform to the General Public that, my client Mrs. Indira Agrawal, W/o: Sri.Suresh Chandra Agrawal, Aged about 69 years, PAN No. ADUP8487E, Aadhar No.8717 5062 4089, presently residing at No. 2035, 'SOBHA MAYFLOWER', Bellandur, Bangalore-560103, has lost the Original Registered Sale deed dated: 21-09-2007 registered as No.03260/2007-2008 stored in C.D. No. VRTD12 of Book-I in the Office of the Sub-Registrar, Varthur, Bangalore executed by M/s.sobha Intercity Technopolis Pvt. Ltd., and M/s.Sobha Developers Ltd., as Confirming Party in favour of Mr.Vasudev S. Purohit and Mrs.Tejaswini Purohit, in respect of the Residential Flat bearing No.B-2001, Ground Floor, B.M.P. Khatu No.2397/1/120B-2001, BBMP Ward No.150, Bellandur, in the building known as 'SOBHA PRIMROSE', situated at Bellandur, Varthur, Bangalore-560103. It was lost on 25-09-2024. She has lodged a Police complaint on 20-03-2025 with Crime Branch, Bengaluru City Police, in that behalf and filed an Affidavit on 20-03-2025 also. The General Public are hereby informed that if any person holding/trace out the above said Original Registered Sale deed may inform to the undersigned within 7 days from the date of this notice.

If any person/s or any bank or any financial institution having any charge, lien, right, title or interest over the above said property should inform to the undersigned with the relevant documentary evidence in person within 7 days from the date of publication of this notice failing which the title of the above said property will be presumed to be clear and marketable and my client will go further in respect of the said property.

Sd/- [Gopalakrishna. R. Hegde], Advocate  
No. 231, S.C. Road, Bengaluru-560009.  
Bangalore. Date : 20-03-2025

### PUBLIC NOTICE

**LOST**  
The General Public is hereby notified that our client Sri.Moses.S. is the sole and absolute owner of the schedule property.  
The Gift Deed dated 23/02/2015, executed by SRI M. NARVEN in favour of his wife Smt. WINNETKASHI VEENA KUNAM document No. JAY-1-10039/2014-15 is lost/misplaced by our client. In this connection, our client has lodged a police complaint on 20/03/2025 online.

Any person, who has have claim on the said property, may lodge such claim with the undersigned within 7 days from the date of this notice. If no such claim(s) or objections received within the stipulated time, the undersigned will issue certificate of clearance that, there is no objections or claim(s) on the schedule property.

**SCHEDULE**  
All the piece and parcel of the Property bearing No.9/1 (previously portion of Property bearing No.9, Old No.11, Old Katha No.61/2) Situated at: 19th A Cross Road, Ejipura, Bangalore-560047, now comes under the jurisdiction of Sub-Registrar, Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, PID No.68-250-9/1, New PID No.148-W1012-21, measuring East to West: 20 feet and North to South: 20 feet with Ground, First, Second and Third Floor building thereon.  
Bounded on the - **EAST** by: Private Property, **WEST** by : Remaining portion of property No.9 Now sold to Mr.Babu Lal, **NORTH** by: Remaining portion of Property No.9 Now sold to Mrs.Rupa, **SOUTH** by: Passage  
**Ravi M. B. ADVOCATE**  
# 66/10th Main, 5th Cross, S.K.Layout, Jnanajyothinagar, Bangalore-560056.  
Mob.No. 9036074066

**IN THE COURT OF THE XXVII ADDL. CITY CIVIL AND SESSIONS JUDGE AT BANGALORE**  
**OS No. 7387/2023 (CCH-03)**  
Plaintiff: **M.V. Balasubramanya**, Aged about 67 years, S/o. M. Vivekanand, No. 305, 28th Cross, 9th Main, Banashankari 2nd Stage, Bangalore-560070.  
Defendants : **1. N. Kiran, 2. Mirle Varadraj**

**NOTICE/SUMMONS TO THE DEFENDANT No.1 N. Kiran**, Aged about 35 years, R/o Late Neelikaanthappa, No.26, Padmanabha Kalyana Mantapa Road, Halepete, Devaranalli, R R Nagar, Bengaluru - 560098.  
Whereas the above named Plaintiff instituted a suit against you for a decree of permanent injunction.

You are hereby summoned to appear before this Court on **24.04.2025 at 11.00 a.m** in person or through advocate/pleader to answer the questions to be asked. Failing which the suit will be heard and determined as ex-parte.

**SCHEDULE PROPERTY**  
Residential Corner Site bearing No.546, situated in Pattannagere Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore District, Bangalore, Private Property, owned by REM CO (BTL) Co-Operative House Building Society Pvt.Ltd. Measuring East to West - 30 ft. North to South - 40 ft. and bounded by : **East** by: Road, **West** by: Site No.546, **North** by: Road, **South** by: Site No.547. The Schedule Property now comes under the jurisdiction of BBMP.

Given under hand and seal of the court this 11.03.2025.  
By Order of the Court, Senior Sheristadar, Civil Court, Bengaluru.  
Advocate for Plaintiff :  
**K.B.S. Manian, Advocate**  
Santhanam Chambers  
3rd Floor, No.6 Union Street, Bengaluru-560001.  
Ph:080-2266496, 980-4113023

### PUBLIC NOTICE

My client Sri.Jangannath N.G. (Aadhar No.6237 1716 6247) S/o Sri.Govindaraj.N.N. #56, 4th Cross, Sriprampura, Bengaluru-560 021 registered as owner of vacant site No.624, V.Khatu No.238/624, Adarshnagar Layout, Arasika kunte village, NLA Tq. present NLA CMC Property No. 7570160006, site measuring E to W - 12 meters and N to S - 21 meters acquired under a Registered Deed dated 04.09.2020, vide No.4203 of 2020-21 from his predecessors-in-title Sri.S.Dakshina Murthy and S.S.Saravana. Originally M/s.Chandrasekhar Estates, by its Partners, the Developer firm had sold the said site in favour of their sister concern M/s.Anand Builders and Developers under a Registered sale deed dated 27.09.1990, registered on 25.01.1991 as No.2435 of 1990-91, Volume No.1566 and pages 186-190, and the original Registered Sale deed is not traced nor the same is either misplaced and/or lost. M/s.Anand Builders had sold the same in favour of Sri.H.Ravindran as per Regd. deed dated 26.06.1991 No. 984 of 1991-92, and in turn the same had been sold by Sri.H.Ravindran in favour of Sri.S.Dakshina Murthy and S.S.Saravana as per deed No.4963 of 2019-20 dated 06.08.2019.

That the Original Registered sale deed dated 27.09.1990 registered on 25.01.1991 as No.2435 of 1990-91, Volume No.1566 and pages 186-190, favouring M/s.Anand Builders & Developers by M/s.Chandrasekhar Estates, in respect of above described property, is lost and/or misplaced and the same is not traced. If anybody has/has found and/or in possession of the said Original Registered sale deed referred to above, the same be returned to Sri.Jangannath.N.G. or to the undersigned. If any person or any bank or any financial institution having any claim, charge or interest over the said property, they may submit their claim, if any, within 10 days from the date of this publication, and claims if any, received thereafter shall not be binding on my client.

Sd/- Krishna Prasad, Advocate,  
No.238/46, Adarshnagar, layout  
Arasikunte-562 123, NLA Taluk.  
Mob.No.98442 37482, Date:10.03.2025

### PUBLIC NOTICE

We, Mr.VIKAS aged about 39 years, Son of A M D Souza, and Mrs.SHROUTI A.M aged about 39 years, W/o. Vikas, both R/o No.553, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 3<sup>rd</sup> Cross, Kempegowda Layout HBSC Kathriguppe, Banashankari 3<sup>rd</sup> Stage, Bangalore - 560085 intending to Jointly PURCHASE the property bearing No.552 formed by the Kempegowda Graha Niramama Sahakarasangha Limited, Bangalore in Banashankari 3<sup>rd</sup> stage in Kathriguppe KBHCS, Ward No.54, Measuring East to West 29 feet and North to South 40 feet bounded by East by Property No.551, West by Property No.553 North by Road, South by Property No.543 from Mr.S.G. JAYARAM, Aged about 71 years, Son of Sri. Gundu Rao, Residing at C-704, Gopalan Jewels, Konankunte Cross, Kanakapura Road, Doddakallasandra, Ahalahalli, Bangalore-560062. In this regard any person having any title, rights, interest over the above mentioned property can send their objections to the address mentioned below within 15 days from the date of this Public Notice, failing which no claims or any objections will be entertained in future regarding the above mentioned property.

P.N.P Associates  
C.R. Pavan Kumar & K.S. Nagaveni  
Advocates  
No.579, 30<sup>th</sup> Main Road, Banagrinagar,  
B.S.K.3<sup>rd</sup> Stage, Bangalore - 560085.

### PUBLIC NOTICE

It is brought to the notice of the general public that my client Sri.Ven





# IPL: Saliva use back, captains exempted from ban for slow over-rate

GOMESH S @ Chennai

COME Saturday, the sight of bowlers and players using saliva to shine the ball will be a common sight during the Indian Premier League. The decision to lift the ban on using saliva in the league was taken during the all-captains meet that happened in Mumbai on Thursday. Apart from the revoking the ban, the BCCI has also introduced a ball change provision for the second innings of the matches to counter the dew factor. These new rules, among other things, were

tabled at the meeting in the BCCI headquarters where all ten IPL captains were present.

The saliva ban, which came into effect at the height of the Covid pandemic in 2020, was made permanent by the International Cricket Council in 2022. It has since been followed across the globe including the IPL. However, with the world having recovered from the pandemic and the days of quarantine and physical contact restrictions are long gone, several players, especially bowlers have made the request to revoke the ban on saliva

usage as it hinders bringing reverse swing into play.

The latest among them was India pacer Mohammed Shami who spoke about it during the Champions Trophy in Dubai. "We are trying [to get reverse swing], but the usage of saliva on the ball is not allowed," Shami had told reporters after India's win over Australia in the Champions Trophy semi-final. "We keep appealing that we should be allowed to use saliva so that we can bring reverse swing back into the game and it becomes interesting."



Hardik Pandya, Rajat Patidar (C) and Shreyas Iyer at the captains' meeting | IPL

nings in an evening fixture wherein the captains will have the option to appeal to the umpires and ask for a change of ball. This might not apply for afternoon games. "Toss becomes very important given the dew at few grounds. There is a new rule which has been given to change the ball but it has to be with the consent of the umpires," a source said.

Apart from this, captains will not face match ban going forward for slow overrates. According to sources, the IPL will follow the ICC regulations in place

which has demerit points for code of conduct breach which translates to suspension points. For slow over-rates, the ICC has match fee fines in place as well. In the IPL, too, the captain will face demerit points for slow over rate which might translate into fines but not necessarily face an immediate match-ban. Last year, Hardik Pandya faced a one-match ban after his third offence for slow over-rate because of which he will not be taking part in Mumbai Indians' opening game against Chennai Super Kings on Sunday.

# Test of pace: Can the senior pros deliver?

Bhuvneshwar, Shami and Siraj, three experienced Indian pacers, will have a lot to prove in the upcoming season

GOMESH S @ Chennai

IT is that time of the year when the majority of the cricketing world comes to a stop, witnessing and celebrating the two-month-long carnival that is the Indian Premier League.

And over the past 17 years, one thing every team of the league has looked to do is get their pace bowling core intact. That is why overseas fast bowlers are always in demand, but more often than not it is the team that has a solid group of Indian pacers that has thrived. While Lasith Malinga and Dwayne Bravo are always the two names discussed when it comes to an all-time IPL bowling attack, Trent Boult is not far off, Bhuvneshwar Kumar and Jasprit Bumrah are right up there with them.

In fact, Kumar is all set to become the highest wicket-taking pacer in the league surpassing Bravo (183) who is only two wickets ahead of him. Kumar's 181 scalps have come in 176 games as he has been at the front and center of Sunrisers Hyderabad's success over the past decade. Bumrah's choice is of course a no-brainer — 165 wickets in just 133 games at an economy of 7.3 and a strike rate of 18.5. Then there are Sandeep Sharma, Harshal Patel, Mohit Sharma, Mohammed Shami, Jaydev Unadkat and Mohammed Siraj. While every single one of them is expected to play a crucial role for their teams, four of them would be at the core of it all. Bumrah is still recovering from injury, so we will look at him later. For now, it is



(From left) Bhuvneshwar Kumar, Mohammed Shami and Mohammed Siraj will be keen to make a mark for their new teams | x

all about Kumar, Shami and Siraj. The trio has sort of been through a shuffle between their teams and it just so happens, that their stakes and the significance have gone up massively.

For a team that is heavily reliant on their batting at M Chinnaswamy, Royal Challengers Bengaluru will be looking to Kumar, along with Josh Hazlewood, for inspiration. One of the most economical pacers in the league, Kumar will have to bring his A-game to nail those yorkers and slower balls in the batting paradise. "We were just talking about yorkers, Bhuv's got a great back-of-hand slower ball. He uses the crease really well. He varies the pace. And he knows every team, every player. And because he's been playing for ages, all those experiences

| Top Indian pacers of IPL* |     |      |      |       |
|---------------------------|-----|------|------|-------|
| Name                      | Mat | Wkts | ECO  | SR    |
| B Kumar                   | 176 | 181  | 7.56 | 21.6  |
| Bumrah                    | 133 | 165  | 7.3  | 18.5  |
| Sandeep                   | 127 | 137  | 7.8  | 20.5  |
| Harshal                   | 106 | 135  | 8.74 | 16    |
| Mohit                     | 112 | 132  | 8.67 | 17    |
| Shami                     | 110 | 127  | 8.43 | 19.1  |
| Unadkat                   | 105 | 99   | 8.97 | 21.52 |
| Siraj                     | 93  | 93   | 8.64 | 21.05 |

\*Players who are set to play this season

are going to count. I'm very confident in the way Bhuv is been working, especially off-season training. He didn't miss many matches. He has been consistently playing even the first-class matches. So that will surely help," S Sreesanth, *JioStar* expert for the 2025 IPL, told this

daily. Siraj is coming on the back of a rough year. Tough time in red-ball cricket, he missed out on the Champions Trophy squad and now will have a point to prove for Gujarat Titans in Ahmedabad. From the clippings that are doing rounds ahead of the season, he is swinging the balls both ways and under the lights, he could be lethal with the new ball. Meanwhile, Shami has been on and off since his India comeback, but has played all matches in Dubai as India won the ICC title. He did not look like the same old pacer, but in T20s, Shami has an advantage, especially with the Impact Player rule.

Sreesanth believes it will all come down to the plan they have and how they execute them. He felt that the more games they

play the better they will get. "Bowlers like Siraj, Bhuv or even for that matter, Shami, have got so much experience. But it's a matter of executing that. And how do you do it consistently enough? So, getting into a routine, I'm sure they are legendary bowlers and they will have a certain routine they follow. But it's all about doing it again and again and again. And that's where Ishant Sharma, for that matter, even though he's not been anywhere, the way he trained, bowling in the nets and guiding the bowlers, it's very important. But even if you wear his spikes, you want to win the matches for the country. Not just help other fast bowlers. So, Shami will be looking forward to being back in those leading wicket-takers.

"It's not easy after injury to come back and straight away perform. But Shami is doing that. Yes, you need to get that fitness level high. But I am confident all the senior fast bowlers will do really well this season. Because if not, we know the Indian cricket team's talent pool is so big. Even A or B or C teams can win a lot of tournaments. So, they will know that. It's all about having that belief system at the start of the run-up and executing those plans well. And I think Shami is one of the best in that," said Sreesanth.

Indeed. Whether they will be able to do so or not, we will know in the coming weeks.

**IPL GFX FOR SAT:** MI and CSK squad analysis graphics will be out on Saturday



Ahmedabad has been named as the venue for the 2030 Commonwealth Games

# India submits EoI to host CWG 2030

INDRANEEL DAS @ Chennai

INDIA have formally submitted Expression of Interest to host the Centenary Commonwealth Games at Ahmedabad in Gujarat in 2030. The letter of interest was sent by PT Usha as the chief of Commonwealth Games Association of India on March 13. Usha, who is also the Indian Olympic Association president, said in the letter that Ahmedabad would be the host city. This apparently would lead to hosting bigger mega events like the Olympic Games. The last day for submission of the letter is March 31.

India will also be hosting all the disciplines that have been dropped from the programme in Glasgow next year. That means shooting, hockey, wrestling, badminton, archery and squash could be part of the programme and might include more. Since the visit of Commonwealth Games Federation president Chris Jenkins and Chief Executive Officer Katie Sadleir's Gujarat visit in January (29-31), there have been serious discussions on the viability of hosting the Commonwealth Games. There were discussions during the recently-held National Games in Uttarakhand as well. Usha's letter was addressed to Chris Jenkins, CGF chief, and highlighted Ahmedabad's contribution towards hosting major sporting events including the final of the 2023 50-over men's cricket World Cup and the recently-held Coldplay concert. She, on behalf of Commonwealth Games Association of India, officially expressed India's intent to host the 2030 Games. The letter also said that Ahmedabad would be the host city.

The CGF had been through a torrid time recently with multiple hosts cities backing out due to rising costs and economic viability. This time Glasgow has come forward after Singapore and Malaysia, despite showing some interest, also backed out. She also highlighted that it would lead to job creation and foster economic growth. Along with the CWG, the city might host some other Commonwealth Government events. The bid has got the backing of the Gujarat government & the Sports Authority of Gujarat.



India shuttler PV Sindhu's poor form continued in Swiss Open

# Sindhu, Rajawat and Srikanth out of Swiss Open

AGENCIES @ Basel

TWO-TIME Olympic medallist and seventh seed PV Sindhu's poor run continued as she crashed out in the opening of the women's singles event of the Swiss Open Super 300, losing 17-21 19-21 against lower ranked Julie Jakobsen of Denmark on Wednesday night.

On Thursday, in the men's singles second round, Toma Popov beat India's Priyanshu Rajawat 21-15 21-17 in 47 minutes. Rajawat had earlier beaten local player Tobias Kuenzi in straight games in the opening round. Srikanth Kidambi, who reached round two by defeating compatriot HS Prannoy however meekly surrendered to China's world No 6 Li Shi Feng 15-21 11-21 in less than 40 minutes.

India's top women's doubles pair of Tressa Jolly and Gayatri Gopichand entered the quarterfinals with a straight-game victory over Germany's Amelie Lehmann and Selin Hubsch. The Indian women's doubles pair won fairly easily with the scoreline reading 21-12 21-8.

# Ujjawal improves U20 discus record in Mumbai

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai/Mumbai

A NATIONAL record in men's under-20 discus throw was the highlight of the opening day of the two-day fourth Indian Open Throws Competition at the Jio Institute on Thursday.

Ujjawal Chaudhary representing Haryana in the competition hurled the discs to a distance of 59.34m in his fifth attempt to better the

previous U20 national record of 58.11m set by S Dalal in 2014. He had a series of 55.09m, no mark, 57.14m, 58.25m, 59.34m and no mark.



**Results (select): Women's:**  
**Discus:** Seema (Har) 56.39m, Neetika Verma (UP) 50.23m, Priya (Har) 48.88m; **U20:** Nikita Kumari (Raj) 46.78m, Soni Kumari (Bih) 44.92m, Bhakti Tanaji Gawade (Mah) 44.75m. **Men's:**  
**Discus U20:** Ujjawal (Har) 59.34m, Vaibhav 53.48m, Ritik (Har) 52.88m. **Discus U18:** Usmanali Khan (Rel) 55.11m, Sonu (Del) 52.15m, Yashraj Jain (MP) 51.44m.

# Kirsty the first woman IOC president

AGENCIES @ Costa Navarino (Greece)

KIRSTY Coventry has been elected president of the International Olympic Committee and become the first woman and first African to get perhaps the biggest job in global sports. The Zimbabwe sports minister and two-time Olympic swimming gold medallist got a stunning first-round win in the seven-candidate contest after voting by nearly 100 of her colleagues in the IOC membership on Thursday.

She gets an eight-year mandate into 2033. It was the most open and hard-to-call IOC pres-



Kirsty Coventry will become the first women president of IOC | IOC

idential election in decades with no clear front-runner before the vote. Many predicted an absolute majority could take several rounds of votes to se-

cure. Coventry's win also was a victory for outgoing IOC president Thomas Bach, who has long been seen as promoting her as his successor. He did not use his right to vote. "I will make all of you very, very proud and hopefully extremely confident in the decision you have taken," Coventry said in her acceptance speech. "Now we have got some work together."

Walking to the podium, she was congratulated and kissed on both cheeks by Juan Antonio Samaranch, who was her expected closest rival in the vote.

## EXPRESS READ

### Lahiri T-22 after round one in Int'l series Macau

MACAU: Indian golfer Anirban Lahiri opened with a 3-under 67 in the International Series Macau to be T-22 after the opening day. Lahiri, who has not won a title since 2015, had six birdies against three bogeys in his round. He also had a hat-trick of gains between the 14th and the 16th. Patrick Reed shot a majestic seven-under-par 63 to take the first-round lead. Shiv Kapur, SSP Chawrasia and Yuvraj Sandhu shot 1-under each to be T-51.

### Ex-F1 team owner Eddie Jordan passed away

CAPE TOWN: Ex-Formula 1 team owner and media personality Eddie Jordan passed away, according to a statement by his family. He was 76. He ran his own Jordan team in the 1990s and 2000s in F1 and became a popular pundit on TV after selling the team in 2005. Jordan had been undergoing treatment for what he had called 'quite aggressive' cancer. The statement said Jordan passed away peacefully with family by his side.

### All eyes on Neetu, Pooja, Jaismine in boxing nat'ls

NEW DELHI: The country's best boxing talent is all set to punch their way to glory as the draw for the 8th Elite Women National Boxing Championships to be played at the Shaheed Vijay Singh Patil Sports Complex in Greater Noida from March 21-27 set the ball rolling for a week-long exhibition of exhilarating contest between the established and upcoming talent. A total of 188 boxers will be competing in 10 weight categories.

# Thakur gets boost as HP HC directs BFI to include name

INDRANEEL DAS @ Chennai

IN a major setback to Boxing Federation of India president Ajay Singh, the Himachal Pradesh High Court also stayed the letter issued by him on March 7. The Himachal Pradesh Boxing Association was forced to approach the court after one of its nominations for the Electoral College — former sports minister Anurag Thakur — was deleted based on the March 7 letter issued by the president three days after the announcement of the poll dates.

The HPBA had sent two names to the BFI to be included in the Electoral College (EC) — its president Rajesh Bhandari and Thakur. After the HP court order, the HPBA has written to the returning officer to include Thakur's name. The last date of

withdrawal of nomination is on Friday (5pm). The HP court did not want to interfere with the elections but has directed the BFI to include Thakur's name and redraw the nomination of candidates list. It needs to be seen what the RO does next. After two court orders, the Thakur faction has claimed that they have the backing of around 25 state units. The HP HC order comes a day after the Delhi High Court set aside the March 7 letter because "this Court (Delhi HC) is of the view that a prima facie case is established by the petitioner in its favour. Prejudice shall be caused to the petitioner, if the petitioner is not allowed to participate in the election process". In this case, Delhi Amateur Boxing Association (DABA) was the petitioner and two members were not al-



lowed by the RO to be part of the Electoral College because of the March 7 letter. The DABA also has written to the RO to include their two names — Rohit Jain and Neeraj K Bhatt.

Interestingly, the Electoral College prepared by the president without the name of Thakur was accepted by ROR K Gauba. As highlighted by this newspaper the provision incorporated in the letter was not in line with the Model Election

Guidelines (MEG) of the National Sports Development Code of India (2011) as well as the rules and regulations of the BFI. Despite HPBA pointing it out to the RO, no changes took place and the nomination process ended with those names on it. These points were raised during the hearing on Wednesday.

What seemed interesting are the views of the Union of India (sports ministry). As reported by this daily, the March 7 letter apparently was supported by an RTI which had noted that elected members should be nominated by the state units of electoral rolls. The RTI had produced an 'internal' noting of the sports ministry that said the member who should be representing the state unit needs to be an elected one. However, during the Delhi HC hearing, the counsel repre-

senting the Union of India and the sports ministry said "The office noting, which is on record, cannot be considered to be a final view of respondent no. 2, since there is no official intimation with respect to the said noting in question". In the HP HC order, the single judge Ajay Mohan Goel also said that there is no rider mentioned in the rules and regulations of the BFI on who the state unit can nominate. The order notes that "one finds that the Electoral College is to inter alia consist of two voters who are to be nominated by each member association and the nomination or representation of each member association is to be by two member representatives authorised by the President or General Secretary/ Secretary of the association."

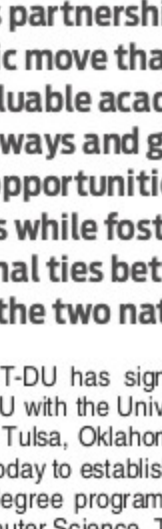
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# XPRESS FOCUS

## KIIT-DU and University of Tulsa, USA Sign MoU to Launch Dual Degree Program in Computer Science

This partnership is a strategic move that will create valuable academic pathways and global career opportunities for students while fostering educational ties between the two nations.



The KIIT-DU has signed an MoU with the University of Tulsa, Oklahoma, USA today to establish a dual degree program in B.Tech Computer Science. The signing ceremony took place in the presence of Dr. Arun Kumar Samanta, Founder of KIIT and KISS, marking a significant step towards international collaboration in higher education.

According to Prof. Saranjit Singh, Vice-Chancellor of KIIT, this initiative introduces a unique 2+2 program where students will spend two years at KIIT and two years at the University of Tulsa. Upon completion, they will graduate with two degrees at the same level. This program is part of KIIT's broader strategy to enhance the internationalization of its educational offerings.

In addition to the dual degree program, 40 students from various disciplines including engineering and liberal studies will participate in short courses at the University of Tulsa during the summer. This initiative aims to foster further collaboration in research, faculty exchanges, and sabbaticals between the two institutions.

Dr. Vivian Wang, Vice Provost for Global Engagement at the University of Tulsa, expressed enthusiasm for this collaboration, highlighting that it would strengthen ties between India and the United States. She noted that her previous visit to KIIT last year left a lasting impression regarding its commitment to providing quality education, particularly for tribal students.

Prof Singh added that the University of Tulsa is known for its robust support for student placements, boasting a 100 per cent placement rate, which aligns with KIIT's achievements in campus placements.

Dr. Samanta, in his address, emphasized that this MoU opens up opportunities for KIIT students to experience education in an international context, thereby enriching their academic journey.

Professor Debashis Banopadhyay, Vice Chancellor of KISS, concluded the event with a vote of thanks, underscoring the significance of this partnership for both institutions.

KIIT is a pioneer in building global academic networks as part of its concerted effort towards internationalisation of its campus, collaborating with over 60 renowned institutions across the USA, UK, France, Germany, Japan, South Korea, Thailand, Taiwan, Colombia, Bangladesh, and beyond.

It has established over 350 MoUs with corporations and universities globally. They include University of Oxford, Arizona State University, Imperial College London, Lund University and University of Florida and Toi Ohomai Institute of Technology, New Zealand, among others.

These partnerships foster academic excellence and cultural exchange, enabling students and faculty to engage in innovative research and learning opportunities. Programs Offered Under International Linkages include Semester Exchange Program, Dual-Degree Programme, Internship Programme, and Pathway Program.

### Significance for Students

- **Dual Degree Advantage:** The 2+2 program allows students to earn two degrees from two prestigious institutions, enhancing their academic credentials and global employability.
- **Global Exposure:** Students will gain international experience by spending two years in the USA, broadening their cultural understanding and academic perspectives.
- **Enhanced Career Opportunities:** The University of Tulsa's strong placement record, coupled with KIIT's impressive placement track, ensures excellent career prospects.
- **Skill Development:** Exposure to diverse teaching methods, research opportunities, and international learning environments will strengthen students' technical and soft skills.

### INSTITUTIONAL BENEFITS

- **International Collaboration:** The MoU enhances KIIT's global academic partnerships, aligning with its goal of internationalizing education.
- **Research and Faculty Exchange:** Opportunities for collaborative research, faculty sabbaticals, and academic exchanges will foster innovation and knowledge-sharing.
- **Cultural and Educational Integration:** The partnership strengthens educational ties between India and the United States, promoting cross-cultural learning.

### BROADER IMPACT

- **Enhanced Reputation:** This collaboration further solidifies KIIT's position as a globally connected institution committed to quality education.
- **Support for Diverse Disciplines:** The inclusion of liberal studies, along with engineering, encourages interdisciplinary learning.
- **Empowering Tribal Students:** The initiative aligns with KIIT's ongoing efforts to provide enhanced opportunities for marginalized communities.